Parents and guardians are any school’s strongest allies for helping students achieve and thrive to their fullest potential. Robust two-way communication with students’ families cultivates a relationship between the home and the school that puts the families squarely on the school’s team when working with students.

### Community support

The percentage of students in the school whose parents responded to the SALT Survey.

#### Parent Participation Rates

- **2005-06**
- **2006-07**
- **2007-08**

#### What Teachers Say

- **Parental involvement in school governance is essential to effective education.**

#### What Parents Say

- **Contacts me if my child does something well or improves**
- **Contacts me if my child is having a problem**
- **Responds to my concerns and requests within a reasonable time**
- **Has a parent-teacher conference with me**
- **Asks me to volunteer at the school**

#### What Teachers Say

- **They meet with individual parents to solve problems and provide assistance.**
- **Teachers on their team or grade level maintain positive relationships with students’ parents.**
- **Two-way communication between home and school is essential to effective education.**
- **They use parents as school resources or volunteers.**