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.

### Parent Participation Rates

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### What Parents Say

#### Contacts me if my child does something well or improves
- **Parents**: 80%
- **Teachers**: 60%
- **Students**: 40%

#### Responds to my concerns and requests within a reasonable time
- **Parents**: 90%
- **Teachers**: 80%
- **Students**: 70%

#### That the community supports this school.
- **Parents**: 100%
- **Teachers**: 90%
- **Students**: 80%

#### The extent to which parents and the community are supportive of the school and its program.
- **Parents**: 80%
- **Teachers**: 70%
- **Students**: 60%

#### They are home unsupervised 3 or more hours a day, 3 or more days a week.
- **Parents**: 0%
- **Teachers**: 20%
- **Students**: 40%

### What Teachers Say

#### Parental involvement in school governance is essential to effective education.
- **Parents**: 80%
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#### They use parents as school resources or volunteers.
- **Parents**: 20%
- **Teachers**: 30%
- **Students**: 50%

### Working with parents

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