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.

**Communicating and working with parents**

Parents

- Contacts me if my child does something well or improves
- Responds to my concerns and requests within a reasonable time
- That the community supports this school
- The extent to which parents and the community are supportive of the school and its program
- They are home unsupervised 3 or more hours a day, 3 or more days a week

Teachers

- Too few responses to report
- Inadequate data submitted

Students

- Too few responses to report
- Inadequate data submitted

**Working with parents**

- Too few responses to report
- Inadequate data submitted

**Teacher practices and attitudes**

- Too few responses to report
- Inadequate data submitted

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**Parent Participation Rates**

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

**Parents**

- Percent who strongly agree

**Teachers**

- Percent who say they are satisfied or very satisfied with:

**Students**

- Percent who report that:

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**What Parents Say**

Percent of parents who report that the school does well:

- 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**

Percent of teachers who agree or strongly agree:

- Parental involvement in school governance is essential to effective education
- They use parents as school resources or volunteers
- 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

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**Engaging Families and Community**

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