

Connecting Families with Community Resources



Welcome families to school and community activities

Encourage family engagement in adult education programs or workshops to support children's school success, offered either in the school or in the community



Suggest ways families can connect with the community

- Offer families a list of community resources, including contact names and information; it may include the school, libraries, medical centers, community agencies, police and fire departments, and places of worship; urge families to teach their children how to use this list
- Encourage families to have a backup plan if the child cannot reach the parent. Who should they call? Where should they go?
- Encourage participation of families with children in free programs offered by the public library, museums, etc.
- Share information about and suggest families participate with their children in community events

Invite family and community volunteers to help at school



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