

# What is Family Engagement and why is it important?



“Through effective communication with parents, teachers can have the greatest impact on their day-to-day success with students. With parents on their side, teachers can more effectively manage most academic and behavioral issues that arise. When the most important adults in a child’s life are working together, students benefit enormously.”

—Lee and Marleen Canter

For Students	For Families	For Schools
Higher grades and test scores	More confidence and trust in the school	Improved teacher and staff morale
Better attendance	Increased confidence in their parenting skills	Higher ratings of schools and teachers by families
More positive attitudes and better behavior	Creates a home environment that encourages learning	More support from families
Higher graduation rates	Encourages families to form stronger relationships with teachers and other families	Higher student achievement
Greater enrollment in postsecondary education		Increased and improved relationships within the community

