COLUMBUS CITY SCHOOLS

NOVEMBER IS NATIONAL

Family Engagement Month!

1 Ask your child: "What is one thing you hope goes well this month?"	**2** Tell your child one thing that makes your family special.	**3** Ask: "What did you learn today that you could teach me?"	**4** Recognize effort, persistence, kindness, or growth.	**5** Share a story about a family tradition, achievement, or lesson learned.	**6** Choose a consistent time to talk about the school day.	**7** Ask everyone to name one weekly win and one hope for next week.
8 Make sure your school has your current phone number and email.	**9** Reach out early if your child is struggling with learning, attendance, or well-being.	**10** Ask: "What was the best part and hardest part of your day?"	**11** Talk about service, gratitude, and the people who help your community.	**12** Send your child's teacher a brief message of appreciation or ask how to support current learning.	**13** Let your child teach you a skill they are learning at school.	**14** Give your child a few minutes to talk without correcting or interrupting.
15 Talk about what helps your child get to school on time and ready to learn.	**16** Ask your child to identify one strength and one skill to improve.	**17** Set one small, realistic academic or personal goal together.	**18** Ask your child: "What is one thing adults at school should understand about students?"	**19** Thank a teacher, school staff member, caregiver, or Family Ambassador who supports your child.	**20** Identify one school or community resource that could support your family.	**21** Play a card game, solve a puzzle, cook together, or explore something new.
22 Ask your child to show you a safe, educational website or school learning platform.	**23** Recognize one thing your child has improved since the start of the school year.	**24** Share a favorite recipe, song, story, or tradition.	**25** Name three things you appreciate about each other.	**26** Invite everyone to share something they are thankful for and something they learned.	**27** Do one small act of kindness together.	**28** Check the school calendar and talk through the coming week's schedule.
29 Tell your school one thing that is working well and one thing that could improve.	**30** Choose one family engagement habit to continue in December.					

Family Tip, Tool & Strategy Calendar

A month of practical ways to strengthen family-school-community partnerships

This calendar makes family engagement simple, meaningful, and manageable. Each day gives families and caregivers a small tip to try, a tool to use, or a strategy to strengthen your partnership with your child's school.