

FOUNDATION FOR SUCCESSFUL FAMILY ENGAGEMENT EFFORTS

Four Core Beliefs

- All parents have dreams for their children and want the best for them.
- All parents have the capacity to support their children’s learning.
- Parents and school staff should be equal partners.
- The responsibility for building partnerships between school & home rests primarily with school staff, especially school leaders.

Three Key Practices

- They focus on building trusting, collaborative relationships.
- Schools recognize, respect and address family’s needs, as well as cultural and class differences.
- They embrace a philosophy of partnership where power and responsibility are shared.

Source: *Beyond the Bake Sale: The Essential Guide to Family-School Partnerships* by Anne Henderson, Karen Mapp, Vivian Johnson, and Don Davies (2007)



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