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Product Development Outline

8 Behaviors for New Teachers to Engage All Families

Program Goal: To assist new teachers in formulating behaviors that support the engagement of all families leading to high achievement for all students.

Module Learning Sequence

1. Learning: Module information shared through text, research, reading, video, flash, etc. (web component)
2. Reflecting: Module information and personal belief and practice reflected upon by participant
3. Sharing: Participants encouraged to form groups for discussion, reflection, questions.
4. Practice: Activities, PBL's, and other types of learning to allow for practice of skills
5. Implementation: Module goals implemented in real-life situations

Mod	Area of Learning	Desired Outcomes. Participants will be able to:
1	Believe and Value All Families: Don't Fear Them	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• learn how academic progress of all students is supported by Family Engagement.</li> <li>• learn how their beliefs about different kinds of families direct their actions toward families and students.</li> <li>• examine their beliefs and values about families to determine long-term goals and objectives for engaging the families of all students.</li> <li>• learn how families become disengaged with their child's school/learning</li> <li>• develop engaging habits and behaviors</li> </ul>
2	Think Like a Parent	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• learn the different types of families.</li> <li>• learn and incorporate family perspective into learning</li> <li>• learn specific information about low SES families.</li> <li>• use a framework for developing parental perspective.</li> <li>• apply knowledge and framework to practice.</li> </ul>
3	Build Trust and Relationships	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• learn and apply the four attributes of trust</li> <li>• learn and apply strategies to develop relationships with all families</li> <li>• learn and apply strategies in working with different families</li> </ul>
4	Commit to Outreach	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• learn the importance of outreach to families</li> <li>• learn and apply outreach strategies to all families</li> <li>• learn the importance of designing opportunities for promoting parental efficacy</li> <li>• learn the components of successful home visitation programs</li> <li>• Learn the components of successful family workshops</li> </ul>
5	Embrace Families in Schools	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• learn and apply principles of welcoming environments in classrooms</li> <li>• learn the attributes of effective family conferences</li> <li>• learn the importance of involvement with the whole child concept</li> </ul>
6	Let Families Know You Care	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• learn how parents view caring for their child in school</li> <li>• learn strategies to nurture caring</li> <li>• learn what teacher behaviors send uncaring messages</li> </ul>
7	Encourage Two-Way Communication	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• learn the attributes of two-way communications</li> <li>• learn strategies in communicating with all families</li> <li>• learn strategies in communicating with different families (culture, etc.)</li> <li>• learn strategies for difficult situations with families</li> </ul>
8	Make What You Teach Meaningful and Relevant	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• learn interactive lesson design</li> <li>• learn strategies to support home learning</li> <li>• learn how to share standards with all families</li> <li>• learn how to share curriculum goals with all families</li> </ul>