"Attitudes and Practices for Building Positive Goal-Oriented Relationships"

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## **Introductions**









## **Evaluation**

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**Attitudes and Practices** 

# **Training Objectives**



 Explore attitudes and practices that support us in being strength-based in our interactions beside families.

Share resources to build strong relationships between staff, families, and their children, celebrate their unique cultures, and connect them with their community.

# **Your Participation is Key**



# "A little knowledge that acts is worth infinitely more than much knowledge that is idle."

-Kahlil Gibran



K What I Know	W What I Want to Know	<b>L</b> What I <b>L</b> earned	<b>D</b> What Will I Do With This <b>k</b> nowledge?

### **PFCE Framework**



#### THE HEAD START PARENT, FAMILY, AND COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT FRAMEWORK

PROMOTING FAMILY ENGAGEMENT AND SCHOOL READINESS, FROM PRENATAL TO AGE 8



#### PARENT, FAMILY, AND COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT FRAMEWORK

When parent and family engagement activities are systemic and integrated across program foundations and program impact areas, family engagement outcomes are achieved, resulting in children who are healthy and ready for school. Parent and family engagement activities are grounded in positive, ongoing, and goal-oriented relationships with families.

Positive & Goal-Oriented Relationships					
		Family Well-being	Children are		
Program Leadership	Program Environment	Positive Parent-Child Relationships	ready for school and sustain development		
	Family Partnerships	Families as Lifelong Educators	and learning gains through third grade		
Continuous Program Improvement		Families as Learners			
	Teaching and Learning	Family Engagement in Transitions			
Professional Development	Community Partnerships	Family Connections to Peers and Community			
		Families as Advocates and Leaders			
PROGRAM FOUNDATIONS	PROGRAM IMPACT AREAS	FAMILY ENGAGEMENT OUTCOMES	CHILD OUTCOMES		

#### **Head Start Parent and Family Engagement Outcomes**

1. FAMILY WELL-BEING Parents and families are safe, healthy, and have increased financial security.

2. POSITIVE PARENT-CHILD
RELATIONSHIPS
Beginning with transitions to parenthood, parents and families develop warm relationships that nurture their child's learning and development.

3. FAMILIES AS LIFELONG EDUCATORS

Parents and families observe, guide, promote, and participate in the everyday learning of their children at home, school, and in their communities.

4. FAMILIES AS LEARNERS

Parents and families advance their own learning interests through education, training and other experiences that support their parenting, careers, and life goals.

5. FAMILY ENGAGEMENT IN TRANSITIONS

Parents and families support and advocate for their child's learning and development as they transition to new learning environments, including EHS to HS, EHS/HS to other early learning environments, and HS to kindergarten through elementary school.

6. FAMILY CONNECTIONS
TO PEERS
AND COMMUNITY

Parents and families form connections with peers and mentors in formal or informal social networks that are supportive and/or educational and that enhance social well-being and community life.

7. FAMILIES AS ADVOCATES
AND LEADERS

Parents and families participate in leadership development, decision-making, program policy development, or in community and state organizing activities to improve children's development and learning experiences.

# When we actively <u>engage</u> with each other and families...

### ...All Benefit.

- Children will be healthier and more ready for kindergarten
- Families will be more engaged in your program & in the public school
- Staff and programs will achieve higher levels of quality
- Community partners will provide stronger supports to the next generation

#### What are the ingredients for Engagement success?

Building goal-directed relationships with families

A set of beliefs, attitudes, behaviors and activities

Crossing contexts - at home, in the early childhood program, school & community

A shared responsibility

# **Relationship-based Practice**



#### What are Positive, Goal-Oriented Relationships?



Engaging in mutually respectful, goal-oriented partnerships with families to promote both child and family outcomes

#### Using a set of beliefs, attitudes, practices, and activities





## **Attitude**

A frame of mind that we take towards someone



# **Strengths-Based Attitudes**

- Families are the first and most important teachers of their children
- Families are our partners with a critical role in supporting child's development
- Families have expertise about their child
- Families have something valuable to contribute

#### Relationship-Based Practices for Family Engagement

- Describe observations of the child's behavior to open communication with the family
- 2. Reflect on the family's perspective
- 3. Support parental competence
- 4. Focus on the family-child relationship
- 5. Value a family's passion
- 6. Reflect on your own perspective

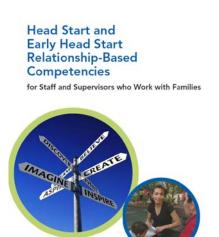
What practices and attitudes does this teacher use with this parent?



# **Report Out!**



# Additional Resources to Support You



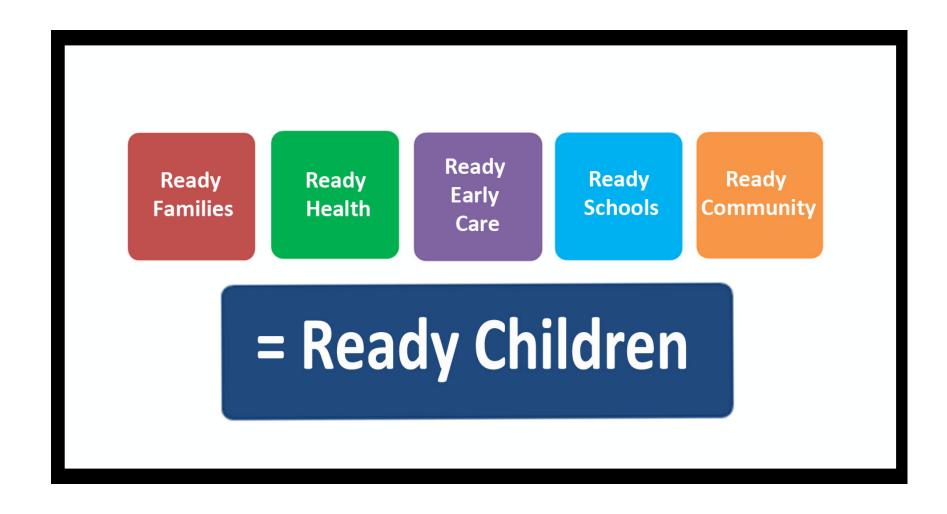






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# Remember: It is Everybody's Business



"In the end, what matters is what we do with parents and how that changes their interactions with their children. When they get a job or get a degree or get involved in program governance, it can transform how they see themselves and how they see the future for their children as well."

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# **Evaluation**



# Thank you!





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