THE KEYS TO SUCCESSFUL SCHOOL, FAMILY, AND COMMUNITY PARTNERSHIPS

Epstein’s Six Types of Involvement

**Parenting:**
Assist families in understanding child and adolescent development and in setting home conditions that support children as students at each grade level. Assist schools in understanding families.

**Communicating:**
Communicate with families about school programs and student progress through effective school-to-home and home-to-school communications.

**Volunteering:**
Improve recruitment, training, and schedules to involve families as volunteers and audiences at the school and in other locations to support students and school programs.

**Learning at Home:**
Involve families with their children in learning at home, including homework, other curriculum-related activities, and individual course and program decisions.

**Decision Making:**
Include families as participants in school decisions, governance, and advocacy through the PTA/PTO, school councils, committees, action teams, and other parent organizations.

**Collaborating With the Community:**
Coordinate community resources and services for students, families, and the school with businesses, agencies, and other groups, and provide services to the community.