

# THE KEYS TO SUCCESSFUL SCHOOL, FAMILY AND COMMUNITY PARTNERSHIPS

## EPSTEIN'S SIX TYPES OF PARENT INVOLVEMENT



TYPE 1

**TYPE 1 – PARENTING:** Assist families with parenting and child-rearing skills, understanding child and adolescent development, and setting home conditions that support children as students at each age and grade level. Assist schools in understanding families.



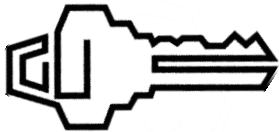
TYPE 2

**TYPE 2 – COMMUNICATING:** Communicate with families about school programs and student progress through effective school-to-home and home-to-school communications.



TYPE 3

**TYPE 3 – VOLUNTEERING:** Improve recruitment, training, work, and schedules to involve families as volunteers and audiences at the school or in other locations to support students and school programs.



TYPE 4

**TYPE 4 – LEARNING AT HOME:** Involve families with their children in learning activities at home, including homework and other curriculum-related activities and decisions.



TYPE 5

**TYPE 5 – DECISION MAKING:** Include families as participants in school decisions, governance, and advocacy through PTA/PTO, school councils, committees, actions teams, and other parent organizations.



TYPE 6

**TYPE 6 – 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.