IT BEGINS IN ELEMENTARY SCHOOL.

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PARENT OUTREACH PROGRAMS
COLLEGE ACADEMY FOR PARENTS (CAP)

• CAP is a 12-week, college preparation program
• 4 Components
  • Parent Workshops, College Camp, Campus visits, Graduation
• Funds of Knowledge
  • A college education begins in the home
PARENT OUTREACH PROGRAMS
PADRES PROMOTORES (PP)

- CAP graduates who are sharing college knowledge with the community
- Increase college outreach in Tucson
- 4 to 7 workshop series/informal presentations
  - Pláticas/ conversations
- Funds of Knowledge
  - A college education begins in the home
HOW ARE PARENTS DEFINING PARENT INVOLVEMENT OR ENGAGEMENT?
Parent’s definition

- Parent Involvement:
  - “Parent engagement is supporting your kid. Make sure to do his/her homework by helping how to do it or find an easy way or different way of approach.”
  - “Les pregundo: como te fue, tienes tarea, vamos ir a una junta o a un programa”

- Parent/Family Engagement:
  - “Being involved in all areas (education, sports), encouraging success, helping when needed and offering, showing affection, and support”
  - “Un padre involucrado es querer a sus hijos y preocuparse por su futuro contribuyendo y apoyando constantemente a los hijos y sus proyectos y festejando cada logro porque son logros de familia”

- Both:
  - “Parent engagement means to me being a part of my child’s outlook for his future for college. And communication with him or her. For example, support in the good or bad so they won’t lose hope.”
  - “Que este atento en el desarrollo del hijo en la escuela y fuera de ella. Motivarlo siempre a que siga con las buenas calificaciones Aprovechar cualquier tiempo o circunstancia en darle ejemplos de motivación.”
Bridging the disconnect

• Importance
  • All parents spend more time on daily activities than in organized school events.
  • What assumptions are we making about families?
  • Redefining Parent Involvement and Parent/Family Engagement.

• Recommendations
  – Create meaningful dialogue with parents.
  – Honor a wide range of practices in the home and school.
  – Continue to support parent led and family oriented programs.
  – Support from principal/s & superintendent
Action planning

• 5 min
  • Identify your goal.
  • Identify your strategies.
  • Who are your key supporters/partners?
  • What will success look like?
  • Evaluate.