

ELEMENTARY SCHOOL EXAMPLES

for a One-Year Action Plan

IMPROVE READING



- TYPE 1** Workshops for parents on various ways to read aloud with young children.
- TYPE 2** Parent-teacher-student conferences on reading goals and reading progress.
- TYPE 3** Reading-partner volunteers, guest readers of favorite stories, and other read-with-me activities.
- TYPE 4** Family Reading Night to demonstrate reading strategies for parents and activities to conduct with students at home.
- TYPE 5** PTA or PTO support for a family room or parent center to provide information on children's reading. Conduct book swaps, make book bags for read-at-home programs, and sponsor other reading activities.
- TYPE 6** Donations from business partners of books for classrooms, for the school library, and for children to take home.

...AND MANY OTHER IDEAS FOR EACH TYPE
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IMPROVE MATH SKILLS



- TYPE 1** Workshops for parents on math standards and tests, and how to interpret report cards and reports on math skills and scores.
- TYPE 2** Articles for parents in school or class newsletters or posted on teacher or school websites by students and math teachers on interesting math topics and skills.
- TYPE 3** Volunteer math tutors to assist students who need one-on-one tutoring and extra help with specific math skills.
- TYPE 4** Weekly interactive homework assignments for students to demonstrate mastery of a math skill for family partners and to discuss how each skill is used in everyday situations.
- TYPE 5** PTA- or PTO-sponsored Family Math Night for fun and learning how to help at home, with handouts and activities to do at home for those who were unable to attend.
- TYPE 6** Classroom visits by community partners who present on how they use math in their trades, businesses, services, and hobbies.

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IMPROVE STUDENT BEHAVIOR



- TYPE 1** Parent-to-parent forum or speaker series on student behavior, age-appropriate discipline, and related topics.
- TYPE 2** Student-of-the-month assembly, bulletin board, social media, and/or luncheon with parents to recognize students for good or improved behavior, character, and citizenship.
- TYPE 3** Volunteers for school patrols in hallways, cafeteria, playground, or other locations to increase or maintain students' good behavior.
- TYPE 4** Monthly interactive homework assignments for students to talk with parents or other family partners about selected character traits, values, and behaviors.
- TYPE 5** ATP survey of dads and father-figures to develop activities to increase their participation in ways that motivate students' positive behavior and academic success.
- TYPE 6** Community connections with students on problem solving and conflict resolution skills to reduce bullying and other problem behaviors.

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ELEMENTARY SCHOOL EXAMPLES for a One-Year Action Plan CREATE A CLIMATE OF PARTNERSHIP



- TYPE 1** Free or low-cost immunization shots and health examinations for students; these assist parents with these school requirements.
- TYPE 2** Student-led parent-teacher-student conferences to communicate with all parents about goals, progress, and next steps.
- TYPE 3** Resource directory to identify the available time and talents of parents and other volunteers to assist teachers and school staff throughout the year.
- TYPE 4** Information for and exchanges with parents on homework policies, how to help at home, and whom to call with questions.
- TYPE 5** Survey of parents on topics they want to discuss in workshops and to identify those willing to serve on school committees.
- TYPE 6** “Salute the Arts” fair for students and families where community artists demonstrate drawing and painting, music, dance, and crafts and offer information on community-based art programs and museums.

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