



Our Children’s Success Lies in the Hands of Families, Schools, and the Community

Have you seen the Rio Grande Parenting Matters posters located around Monte Vista? This is a partnership of parents, school staff and the community committed to the educational success of our children. When we work together, we can help our children achieve great things! You are very important in your child’s life – their first teachers and role models – and your involvement in your child’s education is critical to their success. What you do matters!

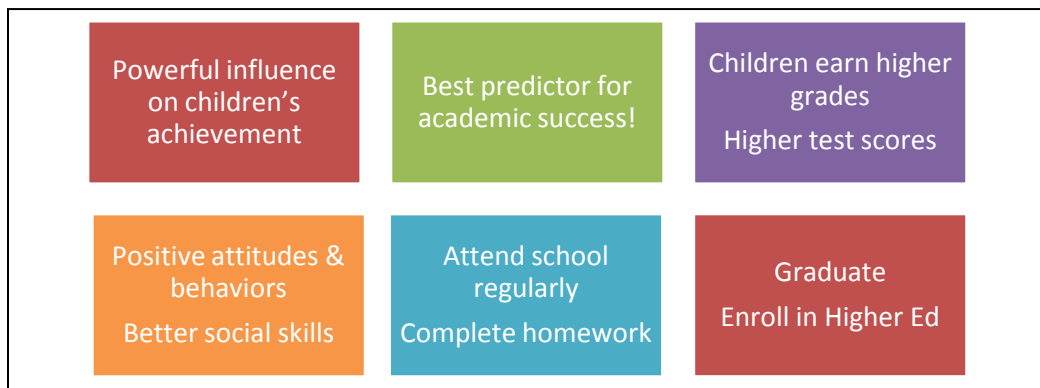
What does Family Involvement mean for you? According to Dr. Joyce Epstein there are six ways families are involved. Here are the six types and an explanation of what they mean. What you do at home is the most important factor in your child’s success!

Parenting	Communicating	Volunteering	Learning At Home	Decision Making	Collaborating with Community
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.	Communicate with families about school programs and student progress through effective school-to-home and home-to-school communications.	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.	Involve families with their children in learning activities at home, including homework and other curriculum-related activities and decisions.	Include families as participants in school decisions, governance and advocacy through PTA/PTO, school councils, committees, action teams and other parent organizations.	Coordinate community resources and services for students, families and the school with businesses, agencies, and other groups, and provide services to the community.
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What happens when families are involved? Kids do better! Here are the many ways our kids are better when you play a role in their education.



The support we can offer is to provide you with ongoing educational opportunities. Please check our website at www.rgpp.org for a calendar of events for the year that you can attend, and/or take online. Please contact Sara Hinds at sarabhinds@live.com or 852-5763 for more information.

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