

Intermediate Engagement Calendar

To meet the evolving needs of parents and families of EB and immigrant students, consider implementing the various engagement activities below to support the academic success and promote parental, family, and community participation in their child's education.

NOTE: Be sure the activities below are implemented in addition to or as a supplement to what is offered to all students.

Key: ● Parent Event

● Family Event

● Community Event

August

School Software Support

Send a video recording to parents guiding them through the steps of accessing grades, assessment scores, and communicating with their child's teachers. It might be helpful to include school personnel's roles and responsibilities to empower parents to communicate directly with the school.

September

Understanding STAAR & TELPAS

Host a "STAAR Snapshot" night where parents are shown how to access their child's scores in one of the many languages offered. Consider offering at-home activities to support growth based on the student's scores from the previous year.

October

Webpage Guidebook

Consider creating a webpage for EB parents consisting of the school schedule, calendar, software programs, clubs and activities, student expectations, and tips for at-home support all in one location that can be translated using online translation tools.

November

Getting Organized

Create a tip sheet to help students and their families maintain and improve organization as the students move from self-contained classrooms to managing more teachers and higher expectations. Make sure to incorporate teacher feedback.

December

CTE and Magnets Made Easy

Host a series of interviews with local middle schools and high schools with CTE and magnet programs options. Explain the process for applying for the magnet programs. Consider using software like "BeMyEars" to offer live translation to all parents.

January

Digital Literacy and Safety

Ask your local ESC for support to educate parents and families on how to maintain safe habits in regard to social media and other platforms. Communicate with parents on current scams that could endanger their child's safety or private information.

February

Coffee and Conversations

Create and send a weekly conversation starter that parents can use with their children that relates to what students are currently focusing on in school. During assessment windows, suggested conversation starters could be centered around anxiety, focusing on strengths, etc.

March

Family Finances 101

Partner with local credit unions to provide a financial literacy resource for parents, including budgeting tips and activities to build financial literacy in their children. Consider including fun games centered on finances with conversation starters for families.

April/May

Texas Workforce Commission

Reach out to the local Texas Workforce Commission office for a presentation on the types of support they can offer to families. Presentations can include job training, employment opportunities, finding childcare, and adult education.