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**** **Quick Tips: Focus on Shared Leadership**

The goal of sharing information and building trusting relationships and a shared responsibility for student success between school, families, and communities is reflected in the practices listed.

With a commitment to families and school staff are equal partners in decisions that affect children and families and together inform, influence, and create policies, practices, and programs.

* Conduct an annual survey and/or focus groups to get the input of parents on current and potential school programs and policies.
* At a parent group meeting, discuss the school’s scores on state tests and describe the school’s plans to improve.
* Sponsor a school accountability meeting at which school officials describe school programs, services, and performance data.
* Make sure the parents on the school improvement team represent the diverse population of the school.
* Invite parents to share concerns and ideas by having a suggestion box in the front office, and be personally accessible to all parents.