Family Engagement Plan

Parents are a child's first and most important teachers. As children leave the home and move into the larger environment of the pre-Kindergarten classroom, it is important that a strong and supportive home and school relationship is established. Research shows that a positive relationship between home and school will greatly enhance the child's chances for success in school. The following programs are in place to achieve the greatest parental involvement and increase the child's opportunities for success.

1. Parent Conferences
    a. The Success Academy staff will conduct parent/teacher conferences scheduled throughout the school year to keep families involved in their child's progression.
2. Parent Activities
    a. Open House/Meet and Greet
    b. Fall Festival/Trunk or Treat
    c. Christmas Parade
    d. Read Across America
3. Take Home and In Class Projects
    a. Success Academy teachers may provide take home and/or in class projects. These activities are planned to provide opportunities for parent/child interaction while working on developmentally appropriate skills.
4. Communication
    a. Mutual responsibility is required for NC Pre-K families and Success Academy staff. Success Academy may send home letters, flyers, newsletters, and other important information in the child's backpack. Parents must be sure that their child.
        i. Bring a backpack to school every day.
        ii. Parents need to check information DAILY and return any necessary papers in a timely manner.
    b. Throughout the year, parents are also provided with information from other community agencies that offer support and services for young children.
    c. Parents are also responsible for promptly communicating any changes in phone numbers and addresses.
5. Parents as Volunteers
    a. Parents are encouraged to volunteer their time within the Pre-K learning environment. Volunteer opportunities include but are not limited to the following:
        i. Assisting children with take-home projects or in-class activities
        ii. Assisting with classroom celebrations
        iii. Assisting with maintenance and/or community gardening.
        iv. Participating in school events (i.e., Graduation)

Families are always welcome to give suggestions on how we can improve our program.