

Reflect on Current Practices

Use this reflection tool to map the current state of family engagement and communication practices in your classroom.

For
Teachers

Current Practices

0 = not currently happening
1 = current process needs improvement
2 = currently doing this well

I ensure all information shared with families is in their home language (e.g., I use translators and interpreters when needed)	
I provide information through multiple channels (e.g., email, text, paper) based on families' preferences	
I take into consideration accessibility when I share information with families (e.g., families' literacy levels, avoiding jargon)	
I communicate that families' cultural and linguistic backgrounds are strengths that enhance our classroom community (e.g., celebrating classroom diversity, inviting families to share traditions, using language that is inclusive and honors diverse identities)	
I invite families to share information about the unique strengths and learning needs of their children	
I provide regular, learning-focused information that helps my families understand grade-level skills and competencies	
I provide actionable information that families can use to support learning at home (e.g., prompting questions they can use to engage with their child)	
I provide families with personalized information about their child	
I regularly recognize families for their contributions and partnership in supporting student learning	

Reflection questions

- Where are you excelling?
- Where you you need to put more time and attention?
- What are your top priorities?
- Who do you need to collaborate with?

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