

Increasing Student Success One Visit At A Time



Parent Teacher Home Visits



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Current School-Based Family Engagement Practices



- **Small Group Activity**

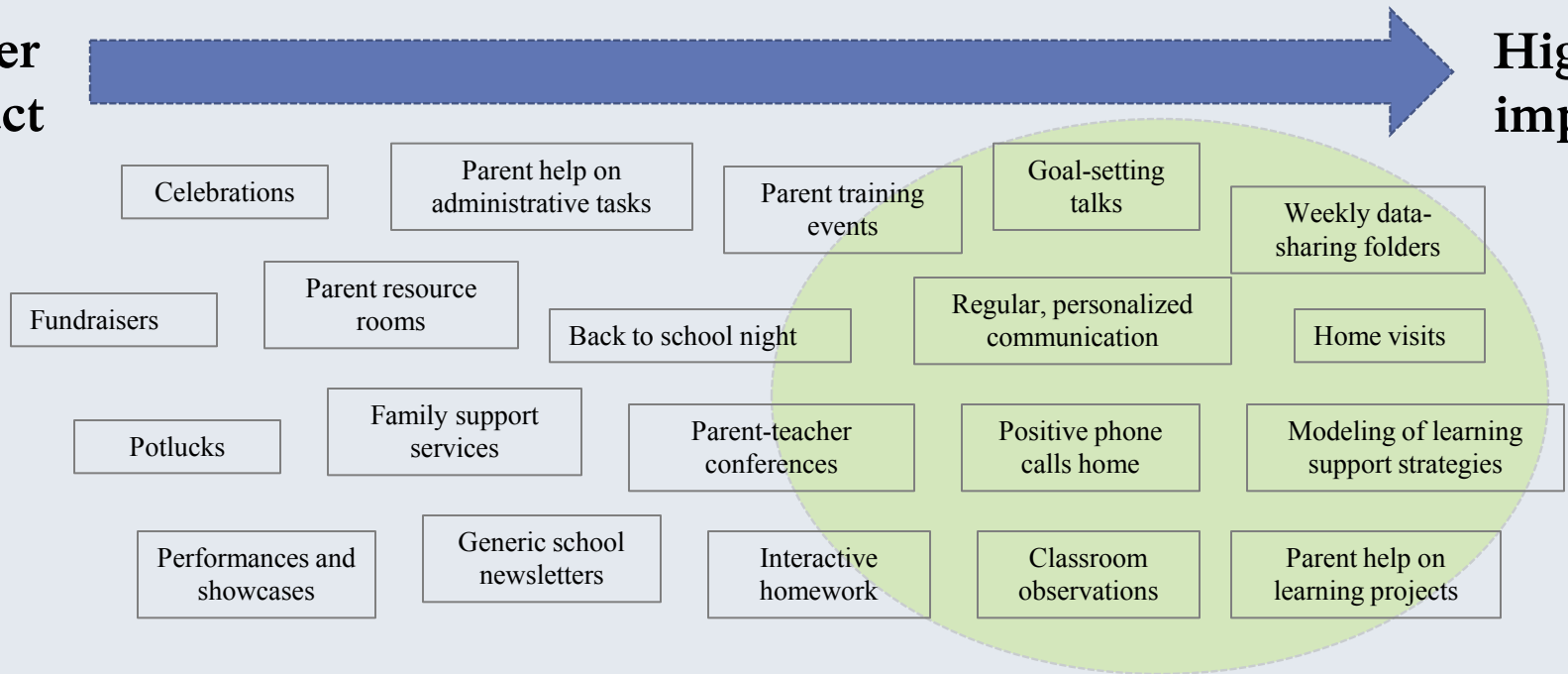
- Identifying
- Evaluating
- Reflecting



Our Perspective on Relative Impact of Family Engagement Strategies on Student Learning

Lower
impact

Higher
impact



We see family engagement as collaboration between families and educators that accelerates student learning.

What is Parent/Teacher Home Visit Project?



- Family engagement model
- Ends cycle of blame between families and school staff
- Builds trust and respect
- Instills cultural competency



Parent/Teacher Home Visits



The concept behind the Parent/Teacher Home Visit Project is simple.

Teachers and families come together, in a unique setting, as equal partners, to build trust and form a relationship.

This strategy creates space for key partners to share dreams, expectations, experiences, and, eventually, tools to boost academic and social success.

IN THE PAST YEAR:

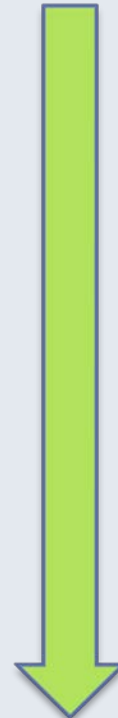
- * Network partners under the Parent/Teacher Home Visit Project trained **4,622 teachers.**
- * We expanded to **305** participating school sites in **15 states.**
- * Together, we conducted **20,914** relational home visits!

Increased communications and trust between families and educators result in:



*** Increased student attendance rates**

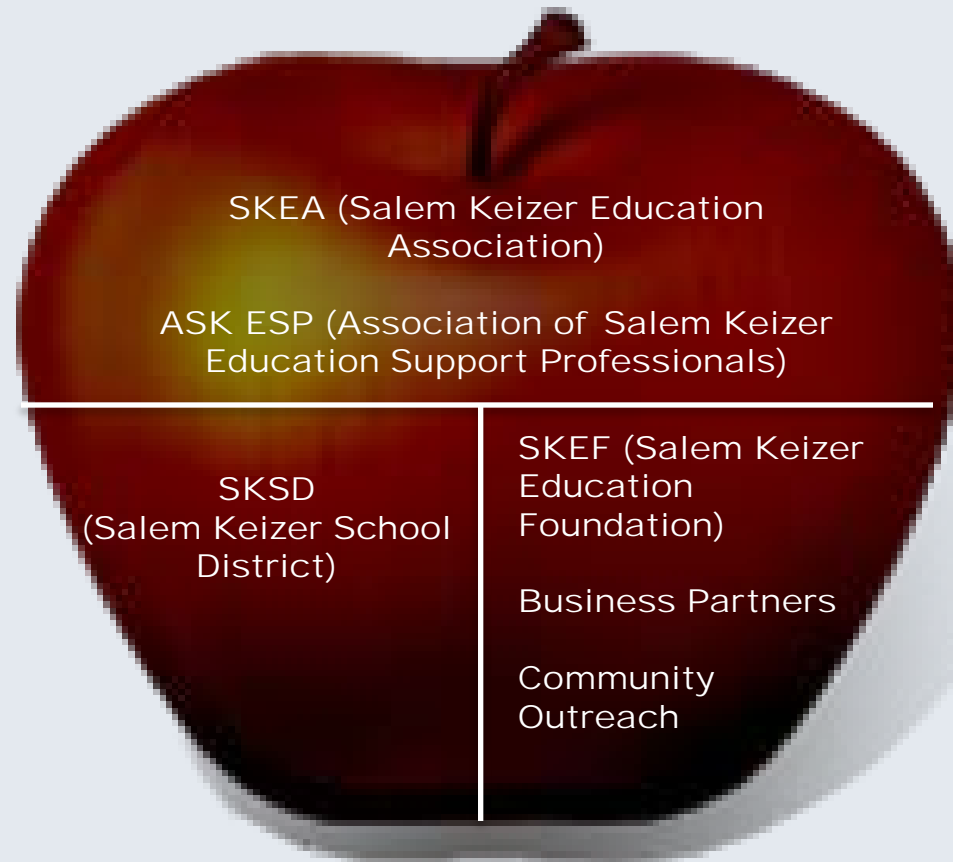
*** Increased student achievement**



*** Decreased suspension and expulsion rates**

*** Decreased vandalism at school sites**

Partnerships Are Important to Build Momentum



SKEA (Salem Keizer Education Association)

ASK ESP (Association of Salem Keizer Education Support Professionals)

SKSD
(Salem Keizer School District)

SKEF (Salem Keizer Education Foundation)

Business Partners

Community Outreach

Teachers, ESP's and Parents



- * Come together in a unique setting
- * Equal partners
- * Build trust
- * Form relationships
- * Share dreams, expectations, experiences, and tools for academic success



Parent/Teacher Home Visits PreK-12



Home Visits Are Always:

- Voluntary For All
- Staff Trained And Compensated
- Visit In Teams Of Two
- Relational (Hopes and Dreams)
- Across the Board (Not Targeted)

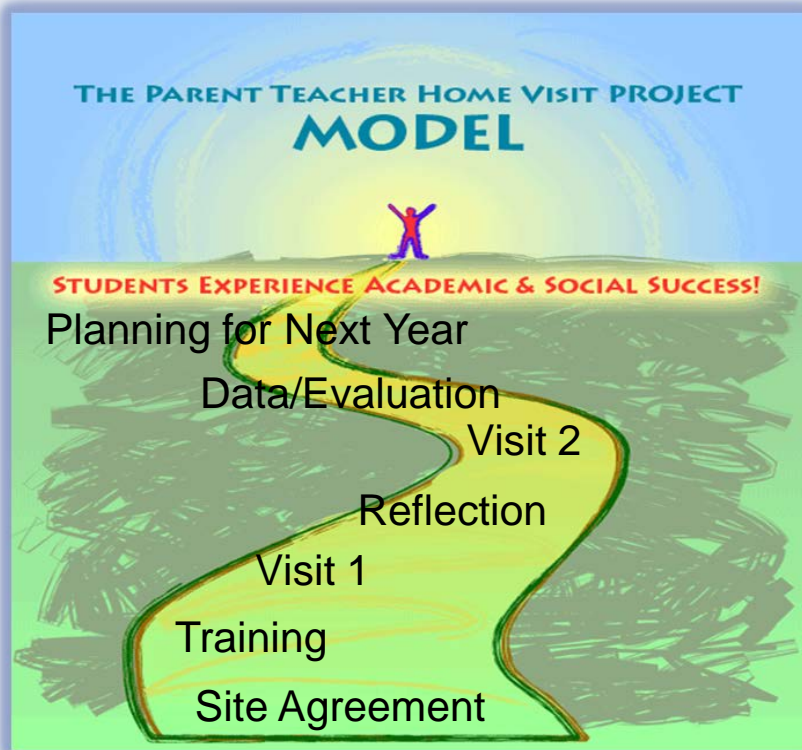
Two Visits In School Year

Visit 1	Visit 2
Relational	Informational
Focus is on Building Trust and Opening New Lines of Communication	Focus is on Academics and Capacity Building
30-40 minutes	30-40 minutes

How It Works In Practice



The Model Over A Year



Common Barriers

- Assumptions
- Safety
- Mandated Reporting
- Language Differences
- Cultural Differences
- Time

Parent/Teacher Home Visit Outcomes:



- **For Staff and Families:**

- Increased Trust
- Increased Capacity To Better Engage Student in Academics

- **For Students:**

- Increased student attendance rates.
- Increased academic success for students
- Decreased suspension and expulsion rates.
- Decreased vandalism at school site.

Resources:



1. The Parent/Teacher Home Visit Project www.teachervisits.org
2. California Teachers Association www.cta.org
3. Pacific Institute for Community Organization www.piconetwork.org
4. National Parent and Teacher Association www.pta.org
5. National Education Association www.nea.org
6. Parent Information Resource Centers www.pirc.org
7. National Network of Partnership Schools www.partnershipschools.org

Looking Ahead



- Next Steps

Determine Interest

Assess Readiness

Identify Resources

Conduct Training

Begin Visits

