

UNDERSTANDING PARENT and FAMILY ENGAGEMENT

Adapted from Joyce L. Epstein's "Framework for 6
Types of Involvement"

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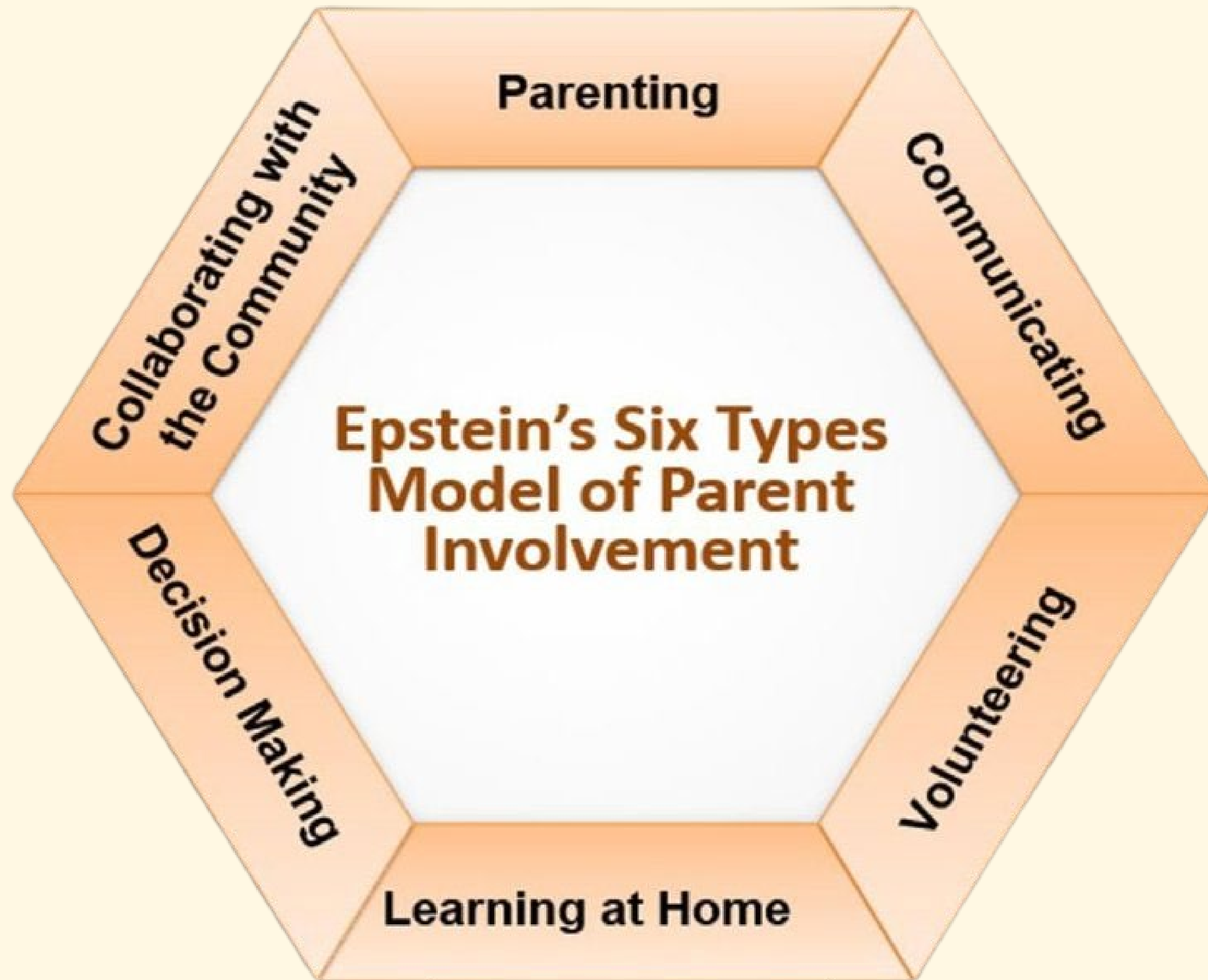


“Family engagement is not a single event. It is a shared responsibility in which regular two -way communication insures that the student is on track to meet grade -level requirements.”

—Heather Weiss, Harvard Graduate School of Education



Parent and family engagement is recognized as a significant factor in improving the quality of a child's education. Because of its importance, understanding how parents and family help their children and how schools can encourage greater parent and family engagement have been crucial in education.





PARENTING



Help parents and families establish a home environment to support children as students .

Providing information through workshops and/or materials.



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COMMUNICATION

Effective forms of communication about school programs and student progress .



Phone, Email, Text, Class Dojo, Home Visits, Zoom, FaceTime, Newsletter, and Calendar



VOLUNTEERISM

Organize volunteer work; provide training; match time and talent with school, teacher, and student needs; and recognize efforts so that participants are productive.



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HOME LEARNING

Provide information and ideas to families about how to help students at home with homework and other curriculum-related activities.

Involve families and their children in all-important curriculum-related decisions





DECISIONMAKING



Developing parent leaders and representatives. Include parents in school and district decisions.

District Advisory
Council (DAC)

Parent Advisory
Council (PAC)

Parent Teacher
Association (PTA)

Parent Teacher Student
Association (PTSA)

Educational Excellence
School Advisory Council
(EESAC)

School-Level
Committees

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COMMUNITY COLLABORATION

Identify and integrate resources and services from the community to strengthen school programs, family practices, and student learning and development



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