

HANDOUT 1**SECTION 1 ♦ ACTIVITY 1**

What's Your Experience?

What is your experience with school, family, and community connections at your school, your children's school, or schools in your community?

Check the box beside the action that represents the kinds of activities you have experienced with schools in your community.

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Attended a school open house. | <input type="checkbox"/> Volunteered as a tutor. |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Attended a parent organization meeting. | <input type="checkbox"/> Volunteered as a program coordinator or organizer. |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Attended a meeting regarding a student's classroom behavior or achievement. | <input type="checkbox"/> Attended a college preparation meeting. |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Participated in a parent-teacher conference. | <input type="checkbox"/> Attended strategy session for helping students with homework. |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Contributed funds or materials for school fundraiser or booster program. | <input type="checkbox"/> Participated in a parenting class. |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Voted in a school election or bond issue. | <input type="checkbox"/> Participated in an adult ESL class. |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Talked via phone about student's behavior or achievement. | <input type="checkbox"/> Participated in an adult literacy class. |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Accessed information about student's assignments via e-mail, Internet, or phone. | <input type="checkbox"/> Participated in an adult enrichment class. |
| | <input type="checkbox"/> Participated as a guest speaker or instructor. |
| | <input type="checkbox"/> Participated in facility planning or building meeting. |
| | <input type="checkbox"/> Participated in school-parent decision-making activity. |

What is your total number of experiences? _____

How many checks are in each column? Left _____ Right _____

Traditional

Typically takes the form of a request from the school for family or community member to act

Reciprocal

Typically has equal benefit for schools, families, and community members