

Cohort 3 Planning Session



Let's talk family engagement.





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Along with our partners, The EdVenture Group helps schools in West Virginia and the region reimagine what education can be.

About WVFEC

The West Virginia Family Engagement Center





1 the U.S. Department of Education

2 family engagement in 100 WV schools

Strong partnership with the West Virginia Department of Education

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Introducing Cohort 3

Barbour County:

 Philip Barbour High School Complex, Phillipi Middle School

Clay County:

Clay County High School

Lewis County:

Lewis County High School

Logan County:

 Chapmanville Regional High School, Logan Senior High School, Logan Middle School, Man Senior High School, Man Elementary School

Mason County:

Ashton Elementary School, Hannan High School

Mercer County:

 Bluefield High School, Bluefield Middle School, Montcalm High School, Pikeview High School

Nicholas County:

 Cherry River Elementary School, Richwood High School, Nicholas County High School

Pleasants County:

• St. Marys High School

Preston County:

Preston High School

Ritchie County:

Ritchie County High School

Roane County:

Roane County High School, Spencer Middle School

Webster County:

• Glade Elementary School, Webster County High School



Today's Agenda

It All Begins with Data

Appreciative Inquiry - Discovery

3 Appreciative Inquiry - Dream

4 Appreciative Inquiry - Design

5 Appreciative Inquiry - Destiny

5 Action Plan & Budget





Access all session files digitally online.

Correct capitalization required.



From Parent Involvement to Family Engagement

• The latin root of the word "involvement" is "involvere" which means to wrap around, cover or envelop; roll, cause to roll.

• The latin root of the word "engagement" is "engare" which means to make a formal agreement, to contract with; to pledge; an obligation to do something.

Definition

U. S. DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION Family Engagement

Family engagement refers to the systematic inclusion of families in activities and programs that promote children's development, learning, and wellness, including the planning, development, and evaluation of such activities, programs, and systems. (2016)

WVDE Family, School, and Community Engagement Core Beliefs

- 1. All parents have dreams for their children and want to see them succeed.
- 2. All parents have the capacity to support their children's learning.
- 3. When parents are equipped with accurate, relevant, and timely information, they are properly positioned to partner to support their children's learning.
- 4. Parents and school staff should be equal partners with support from the community.
- 5. The responsibility for building positive productive relationships between school and home rests primarily with the school staff, especially school and county leaders.

The Research

Karen Mapp, Steve Constantino, Joyce Epstein



The Dual Capacity-Building Framework for Family-School Partnerships

(Version 2)

The Challenge

Essential Conditions

Policy and Program Goals

Capacity Outcomes

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Educators

- Have not been exposed to strong examples of family engagement
- Have received minimal training
- May not see partnership as an essential practice

Families

Have not been exposed to

Have had negative past

· May not feel invited to

engagement

and educators

strong examples of family

experiences with schools

 May have developed deficit mindsets

Process conditions

- Relational: built on mutual trust
- Linked to learning and development
- Asset-based
- Culturally responsive and respectful
- Collaborative
- Interactive

Organizational conditions

- Systemic: embraced by leadership across the organization
- Integrated: embedded in all strategies
- Sustained: with resources and infrastructure

Build and enhance the capacity of educators and families in the "4 C" areas:

- Capabilities [skills + knowledge]
- Connections (networks)
- Cognition (shifts in beliefs and values)
- Confidence (self-efficacy)



Educators are empowered to:

- Connect family engagement to learning and development
- Engage families as co-creators
- · Honor family funds of knowledge
- · Create welcoming cultures



Families engage in diverse roles:

- Co-creators
 - orters Advocates
- Supporters
 Encouragers
- Models

Monitors

Effective partnerships that support student and school improvement

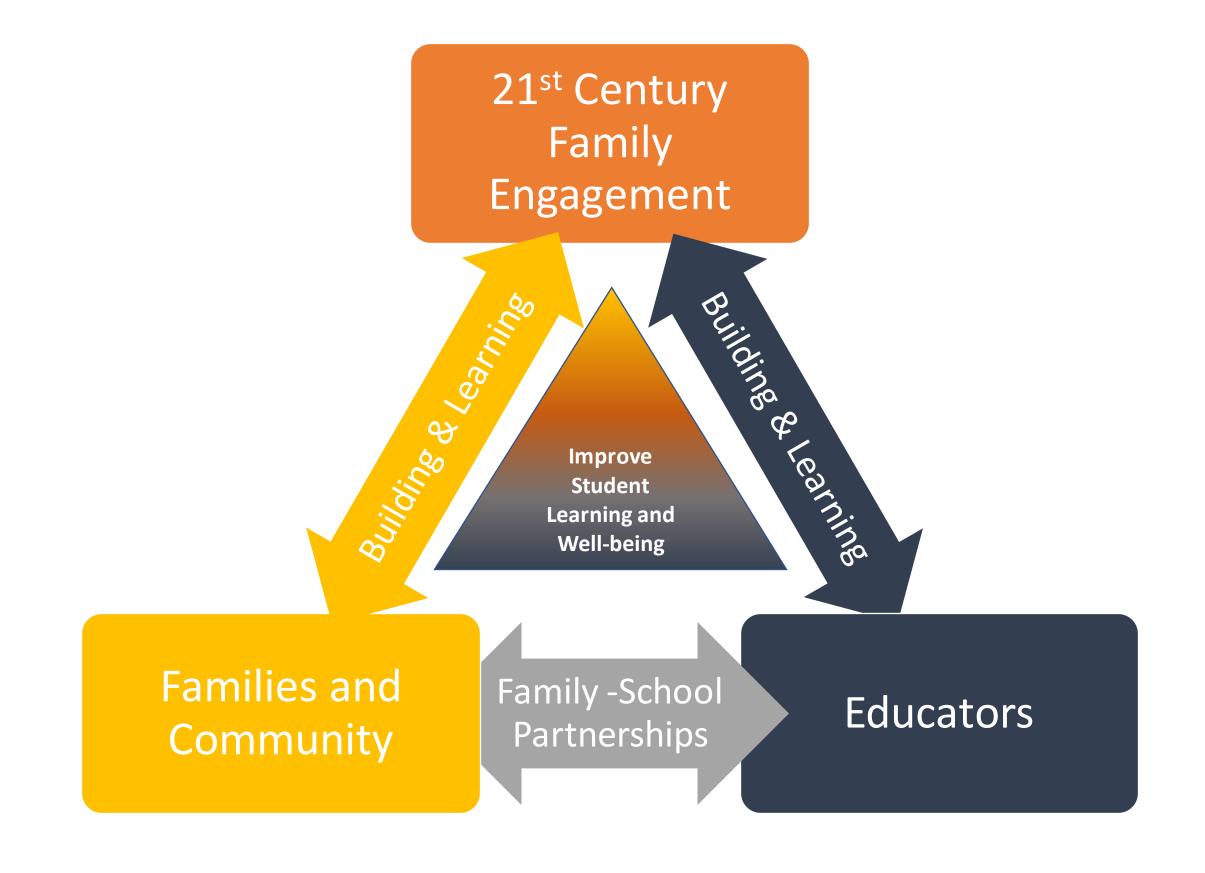
contribute to their children's education

• May feel disrespected, unheard, and unvalued

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WVFEC: Dual Capacity-Building Framework



Joyce Epstein

Six Types of Engagement

Karen Mapp

The Components of Effective Family Engagement Programs

Steven Costantino

Five Principles for Engaging Every Family

All are linked to

Student Learning and Well-Being

THE LAW

Meaningful FE is embedded in laws that govern our work...

- (ESSA) Every Student Succeeds Act 2015
- (PERKINS V) Strengthening Career and Technical Education for the 21st Century Act 2018
- (IDEA) Individuals with Disabilities Education Act 2004
- (WIOA) Workforce Innovation and Opportunity Act 2014
- SECTION 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973

The Data

It's not how many show up, it's how many show support.

Family Engagement

Multi-Tiered System of Support (MTSS)

Tier 3 - Individual Parents/Families

Osts

Tier 2 - Groups of Parents/Families

Tier 1 - School-wide Programming

Informed by Data

Examples of Data Sources

Classrooms

- Assessments (Benchmarks, STAR, PALS, Teacher made)
- Behaviors (Referrals, Anecdotal)
- IEP, 504
- Demographics (family dynamics, ethnicity, SE status)
- Classroom Attendance
- Prior school year data
- Math, Reading Skills

School-wide

- School Attendance
- Teacher Experience and Class Performance
- Staff Attendance
- PBIS
- Past Family Engagement Attendance
- Community Data (New, Displaced, Unemployed Families)
- Leadership Experience and Expertise
- SAT Data
- Indicator 8 Data (Sp. Ed.) and other IDEA reports
- Title 1 Family Engagement Survey Data
- Extra Curricula Activity Attendance

School Data

Smart Goal based on school data

Who are the parents and what do they NEED to engage in reaching this goal?

Each NEED translates to an action step

By connecting FE to the goal, you can measure the success of your FE efforts

Quantitative and Qualitative Outcomes

School Data: 6% of 3rd students with IEPs were proficient in Reading

School Goal: By May 2022, 50% of students with IEPs with FSIQ of >70 will be proficient in Reading as measured by the GSA.

Who are those students? What do those parents need to engage in this goal?

Parents need their child's data clearly explained

Parents need resources for practice that flow with family routines

Parents need regular progress updates



Defining Appreciative Inquiry

Appreciative Inquiry (n):

"...the study and exploration of what gives life to human systems when they function at their best."

Appreciate (v):

"...valuing; the act of recognizing the best in people or the world around us; affirming past/present strengths, successes & potentials."

Inquire (v):

"...the act of exploration and discovery; to ask questions; to be open to seeing new potential."

4 Basic Personality Types

Which is the appreciative view?

1

"The glass is half full."

2

"The glass is half empty."

3

"Half full...no!
Wait! Half
empty! No,
half...what was
the question?"

4

"Hey! I didn't order water!"

How Appreciative Inquiry Works

Affirmative Topic Choice

Discovery "Appreciate what is."

- It builds relationships.
- It creates new opportunities to be heard.
- It generates opportunities to dream and share.
- It allows people to choose how to contribute.
- It encourages and enables positivity.

Destiny"Create what will be."

THE PROCESS

Dream
"Imagine what might be."

Design
"Determine what should be."

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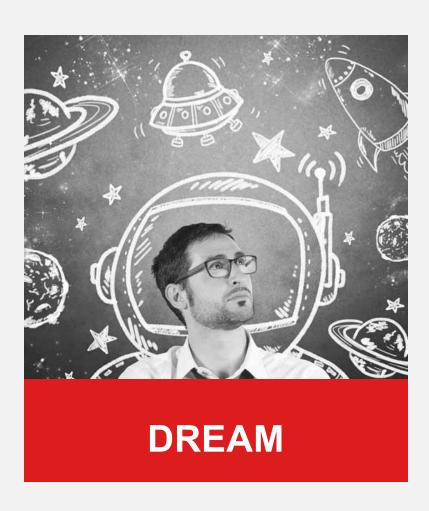
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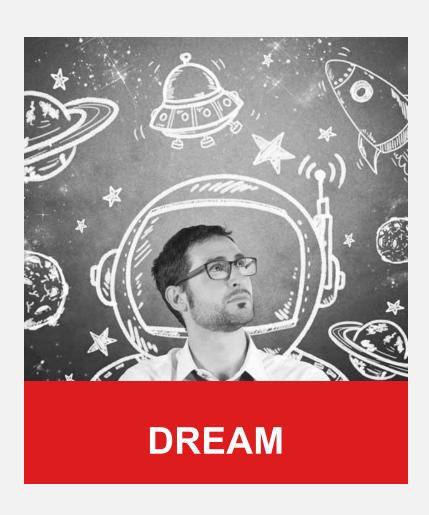
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Sustaining

Beginning of an ongoing creation of appreciative learning culture; collective purpose

How to empower?

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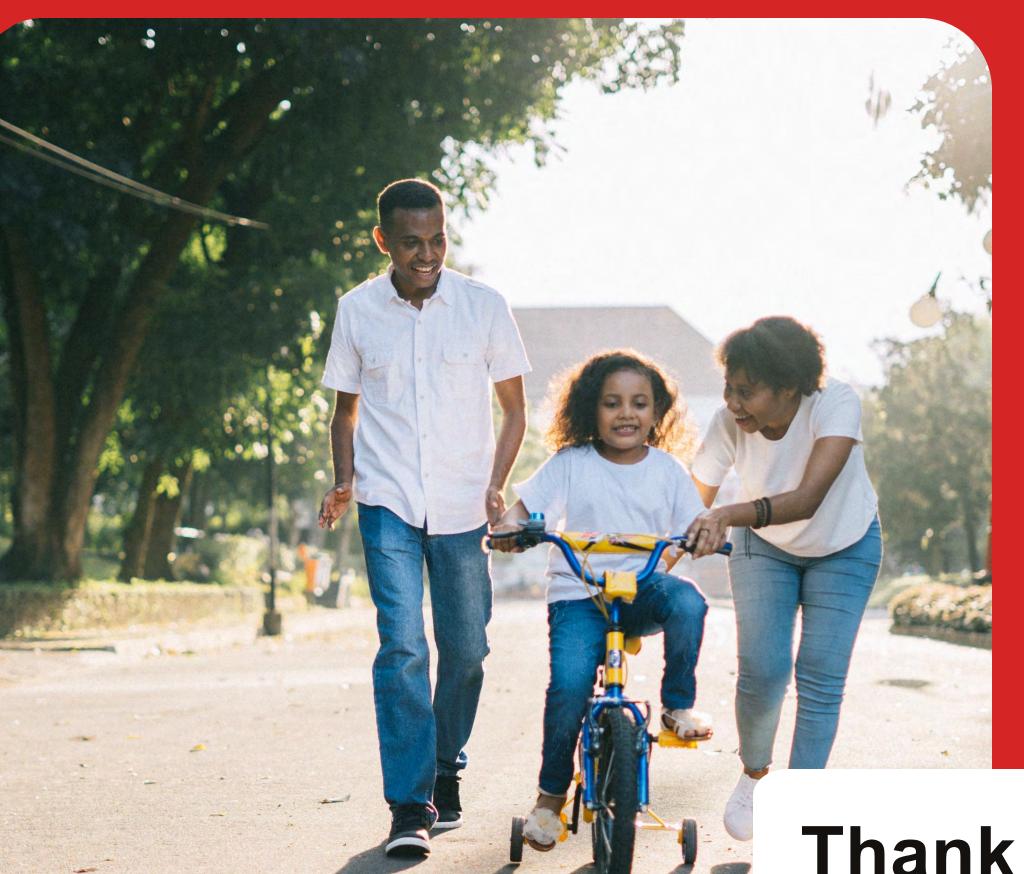
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Next Steps

- Remember we are your partners.
- Family Engagement Specialist will be in touch.
 We look forward to working
- with you.
- Thanks for all you do!

Thank you for attending!