



## **Ten ways to participate in your children's education**

- 1. Build your children's self-esteem. Listen to what they have to say and praise them for the things they do well.**
- 2. Encourage your children to talk about their feelings, accomplishments, and problems.**
- 3. Be a positive role model for your children. Teach them right from wrong at an early age.**
- 4. Tell your children it's all right to make mistakes, as long as they learn from them.**
- 5. Allow your children to see you read daily newspapers, books, etc. Read stories aloud and tell them about your culture and heritage.**
- 6. Show an interest in your children's school activities by helping them with their homework and getting to know their teachers.**
- 7. Take your children to museums, the local library, and other free educational and cultural events whenever possible.**
- 8. Ask that report cards and other school documents be made available in both English and Spanish.**
- 9. Ask the school to provide a translator for meetings and whether English as a second language (ESL) classes are available.**
- 10. Join the Parent Teacher Association (PTA) or volunteer at your children's school**