

2nd Annual Family Engagement Recognition Showcase May 8, 2018

Exemplary, systemic family and community engagement practices linked to learning are critical to ensuring that communities are thriving spaces for learning and equity.

Our goal is to highlight high quality, effective engagement practices, build adult capabilities, improve leadership at all levels, and build on the strength of parents, families and communities.

Criteria for Selection: The primary criteria for recognition is that practices are relevant, useful and ultimately increase true communication and partnerships between families and schools. The showcase presentation will support attendees by assisting them with their own family engagement work. The conference will be a gathering place for various stakeholders including families, teachers, parents, school administrators, community organizers and so should address a range of audiences and interests.

Deadline for recognition application: Tuesday May 1, 2018

Please provide specific and practical insights such as lessons learned, implementation ideas, recommendations or action steps that can assist others with their own efforts.

To Apply: Connect the strategy your district or school uses to a best practice in family engagement and submit a one page description of the implementation of the strategy as well as the systemic implications of the success you have generated. Any data showing the success of the implementation will also be helpful in determining recognition.

Use the following prompts to submit your one page application:

1. What principle/key/category of family engagement did your process align to?
 - I. Create a welcoming school climate.
 - II. Provide families information related to child development and creating supportive learning environments.
 - III. Establish effective school-to-home and home-to-school communication
 - IV. Strengthen families' knowledge and skills to support and extend their children's learning at home and in the community.
 - V. Engage families in school planning, leadership and meaningful volunteer opportunities.
 - VI. Connect students and families to community resources that strengthen and support students' learning and well-being
2. Describe the type of engagement that you have implemented?
3. Who was involved?
4. What was your goal?
5. What are/were the outcomes?
6. How has this changed the relationships between the school and families?

Please email your application to: kathrynv@cybersummit.org

****Requirements if selected for recognition:**

Visual: poster explaining/showing the strategy in action or product created during the family engagement strategy

Handout: 1 page explanation that participants may take with them (for example, the letter or flyer that is sent home to families explaining the activity or event or the write-up used when applying for recognition).