

WHY IS IT NECESSARY TO ENCOURAGE PARENTAL INVOLVEMENT?

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The role of parental involvement in school has been proven by research to be effective in improving the academic achievement of learners. Any educational system needs parental involvement to be successful. It has been demonstrated to raise educational standards, lower truancy, and dropout rates, and raise academic performance. Parental participation is important, and the Philippine government has taken action to promote it. Still, more work needs to be done.

According to Delgado (2019), parental participation is beneficial and necessary for students' growth. Numerous studies, including the ones described above, examine how parental involvement might enhance both children's success and teachers' jobs. Delgado listed down the major advantages of parental involvement:

First, Absenteeism declines when parents and teachers communicate effectively. According to a Johns Hopkins University (JHU) survey, this contributes to a 24 percent decrease in student absenteeism.

Second, academic achievement rises. According to JHU, when parents are involved, particularly if they spend time reading with their kids, skills like comprehension and reading fluency advance. The student's grades rise as a result of their increased motivation to learn.

Additionally, it helps to augment student behavior in the classroom. Students feel more motivated in their classes when parents and teachers communicate more; as a result, their attitudes and self-esteem in the classroom increase.

Furthermore, all ages can profit from the benefit. There are other studies that concentrated on high school students, even though the advantages are typically addressed in the context of preschool or elementary school pupils. Despite its influence waning as the kid gets older, parental participation is something that matters at all educational levels. Even so, in high school, having the parents involved can influence the student's decision to continue studying or not.

Parental participation also enhances teacher performance. Better parent-teacher communication helps parents realize the effort and difficulties teachers endure, which in turn helps teachers feel valued. It also helps teachers learn more about the students, which enables them to deliver more individualized and effective instruction.

Finally, it helps when parents are more content and dedicated to their kids' education. Parents that have a good working connection with the school are better able to understand the curriculum and how their children are developing. Additionally, it increases students' comfort and satisfaction with the quality of instruction. Even those who dropped out of school could be motivated to finish.

Indeed, parental participation is necessary for the success of the teaching-learning process. It is, therefore, vital for schools to create projects, programs, and activities that will encourage parents to be involved in the education of their children.

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