

Promoting and Sustaining Home-Based Engagement and Family Academic Socialization

Home-Based Engagement	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Communicate frequently and provide updates on student progress to parents.• Provide parents with thorough examples of how to complete homework assignments (e.g., brief demonstrations streamed through the class website or personal demonstrations, homework guides).• Send links to websites that provide support for families.• Provide materials and detailed examples of homework in the family's home language.• Suggest ways for structuring the home environment to promote homework completion (e.g., designated workspace, materials).• Offer ideas and resources to promote high-quality student engagement at home (e.g., age-appropriate and high-quality literature, web resources).
Academic Socialization	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Ask parents open-ended questions about their goals for their child and their child's goals.• Suggest strategies for parents to use in discussing academic aspirations with their child.• Develop assignments that require students to investigate a possible career, develop future plans, and share those with their parents.• Provide resources for parents (e.g., on the school website, in the school library, or in the school parent center) that facilitate knowledge of and discussion around the student's career, postsecondary education, and independent living options.• Make time available for parents and their child to meet with school guidance counselors or vocational counselors.

Source: DeSpain, Conderman, and Gerzel-Short (2018, p. 237).