A Framework to Support Family Engagement in Children’s Learning through Libraries

LIBRARY ELEMENTS TO SUPPORT FAMILY ENGAGEMENT

LEADERSHIP
- Create possibility
- Build professional capacity
- Secure resources
- Learn and improve

ENGAGEMENT
- Reach out
- Raise up
- Reinforce
- Relate
- Reimagine

SUPPORT SERVICES
- Update collections
- Create welcoming spaces
- Provide technology access and guidance

LIBRARIES WILL:
- Increase outreach to underserved families
- Elevate family voice and perspectives in designing services
- Facilitate peer-to-peer interactions
- Build family engagement pathways from early childhood through young adulthood
- Increase partnerships with community agencies
- Provide spaces that promote family interaction

FAMILIES WILL:
- Be more knowledgeable about library resources
- Improve their health, well-being, and positive parenting practices
- Be more connected to peers in the community
- Increase their knowledge, skills, and confidence to support children’s learning
- Improve their ability to advocate for their community and the library
- Be more knowledgeable about how to access community resources

CHILDREN WILL:
- Be more prepared for school
- Have more support with their school work
- Improve their skills to fulfill their interests
- Be on a pathway to lifelong learning
- Experience positive interactions with their families