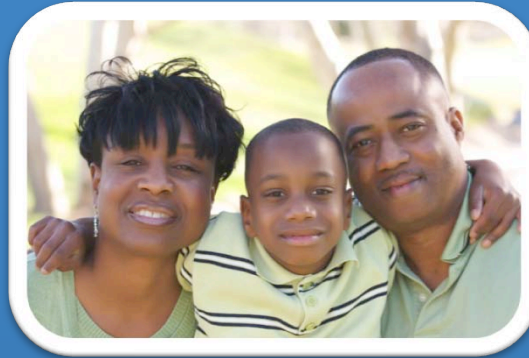


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- Parent Leadership Academies
- Annual Title I Meeting Toolkit Training
- Understanding Title I
- Understanding Standards and Assessments
- Solid Foundation
- Best Practices in Family Engagement

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“A school is a treasured place in a community, a place where people of all backgrounds can come together and thrive. Every school can be such a place.”

Anne T. Henderson and Karen Mapp  
From *Beyond the Bake Sale*



# Family Friendly Walk Through



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## Why should schools have a free Family Friendly Walk Through?

Have you looked at your school through the eyes of your families and community? What would they see and what message do they leave with after visiting your school?

Research on family engagement in education has found schools need to be the first to reach out to parents and invite them to participate in their children's education. Having a Family Friendly Walk Through at your school creates the type of environment that encourages family participation and helps all students reach high academic achievement.

- To examine how inviting the school appears to the local community.
- To look at strategies to make the school more welcoming to families and community members
- To know how well you are meeting the parent involvement mandates of NCLB and Title I.
- To increase parent involvement in specific ways.

Upon conclusion of the visit, PIRC staff will review the assessment and convert it to data. The data is then compiled into a report, which is provided to the school as a reference tool for the purpose of creating a stronger learning environment.



A Family Friendly Walk Through assists in identifying areas of strength, emerging practices and areas for improvement. During a Family Friendly Walk Through, the following areas are assessed:

- Customer Service
- School Environment
- School Website
- Community Partnerships
- School Documents
- School to Home Communication
- Parent, Teacher and Principal Surveys

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