



Core Practice Professional Development Spotlight

Core Practice H: *Facilitate reciprocal and culturally sustaining family engagement practices that integrate family voices and goals in the schooling process*

Estimated time needed: 20-30 minutes

Resources:

[Slides](#) (Make a copy for yourself, and adapt them for your school)

1. **Introduce/Review of Core Practice:** Use the homepage of this [website](#) or the slides to introduce/review what this core practice is.
2. **Whip around Activity:** Ask staff to share one way they have used this core practice already or an idea they would like to try.
3. **Examples:** Share some examples from ED 593 class (see [ED 593 Core Practice H Examples Folder](#) or use your own).
4. **Short hands-on activity ideas:** Jigsaw in small groups to discuss the 5 Family Engagement Goals.
 - Divide staff into 5 groups. Try to mix veteran teachers, new teachers, and paraprofessionals for this activity. Pass out [Family Engagement Goal Cards](#), or refer to Slide 4.
 - Directions:
 - As a group, read the assigned Family Engagement goal and share ideas for how you could meet this goal as a teacher. What does this look like in your classroom? How have you seen this done in your colleagues' classrooms? Brainstorm 3-5 strategies. Write your group's ideas down and be ready to share with the whole group!
5. **Next Step Protocol:** Close the PD session with a protocol that helps staff identify their next step using this core practice. Adapting the following activity might work well by skipping the 4th step if needed: [1-2-All](#) or choose your own protocol.