

# Promising Partnership Practices 2018

## Arvada High School Family Resource Center

### Description/Summary

The Family Resource Center is a welcoming and inclusive environment where ALL students and families have access to resources and services to support their well being, academic and social success.

### Implementation of the Practice

The Arvada High School Family Resource Center was implemented in response to the identified needs of a diverse student population.

- 66% Free and Reduced
- Up to 60 students identified as homeless, in transitional housing or unaccompanied
- “Gap” students; do not qualify for Free and Reduced

The FRC provides free access to a food pantry, toiletries, school supplies, backpacks, clothing, transportation assistance and navigation to internal and external support services

The FRC is supported by community volunteers, community members and families .



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### Promising Practice Highlights

- Family Engagement Liaison, school staff members, community members and families establish trusting relationships.
- Supporting Student Success
- Welcoming All Families
- Collaborating with Community

### Practice Evaluation

The practice is evaluated by maintaining confidential intake forms and conversations. Over half of the student population and their families at Arvada High School face barriers outside the school walls that affect attendance, academics, social skills, nutrition and well being. Evaluation made us aware of the positive impact the FRC made in assisting students and families in these circumstances with support and services to increase their potential towards achieving success in affected areas.