Small Steps Make a Big Difference
The New America School

**Description/Summary**

Our goal is empower families, taking small steps, so that we can form a partnership to ensure student success and contribute to the community. We have been working with the support and efforts of the Azueta family. Their oldest daughter has been with us since the beginning of this school year and her mother has been making her presence felt in our school as well as in our monthly district meetings (FSP). Mrs. Azueta has ideas that, I know in the future, will help us grow as a school. She has supported the New America School in welcoming families to small events and is eager to share her experience that brought her and her daughter to our unique school.

**Key Elements**

- Provide families a venue for informal conversations
- Learn about policies, procedures and creates a welcoming environment
- Open, deeper dialogue around student achievement

**Family School Partnerships**

Jefferson County Title I Family-School Partnership group is made up of family representatives from each Title I school, Title I Family Engagement Liaisons, and Title I department staff. We meet six times throughout the school year at the District Education Center in the Boardroom. To remove barriers for families, Title I provides food and child enrichment programs at each meeting.

This year, FSP families gained knowledge of the 6 National Standards for Family School Partnerships and then looked within their own school communities to identify and highlight a promising practice and worked link it to student success.

**Link to Student Outcomes**

- Builds relationships through celebration and orientation
- Ensures partnership to have positive student outcome
- Facilitates re-engagement for students and families

We are ONE – We are Title I
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Principal: Jon Berninzoni
Family Engagement Liaison: Yvette Martinez