## D49 Family Engagement One-Stop-Shop for Information and Resources School District 49 Colorado Springs, CO





School District 49 spans 133 square miles of urban and rural areas in Colorado, covering northeast Colorado Springs and the Falcon area of El Paso County, serving more than 21,000 students. In an effort to raise awareness and connect families with local service providers, parent academy topics, and current events; the Title I office developed a one-stop-shop information resource webpage. The webpage has three components: a series of video links regarding family-based topics such as parenting

skills, health and wellness, family finances, etc.; a hub of local assistance programs and contact information for each; and a current events section that is updated every few weeks and includes in-district and local community events that are geared towards families and children.

The D49 Title I Office and school-based Family Engagement Liaisons have been instrumental in identifying some of the greatest needs that D49 families have. Content for the family resource webpage was determined based on this information. Recognizing that these resources were not reaching all families; the idea of the webpage was that it would serve as a convenient and immediate tool to connect families to these resources.

The development of the Family Resource webpage is new, and the hope is that with awareness and accessibility to family-based information and resources, families will be supported and empowered, therefore contributing to family stabilization directly impacting overall student outcomes.

The D49 Family Resource webpage is currently live but will officially rollout early in the 22-23 school year. Evaluations will be conducted in the form of surveys and webpage usage data collection.

Current and anticipated challenges are ensuring that the content remains relevant, and that the webpage is updated consistently enough to encourage families to return to the webpage as a reliable resource. Anyone wanting to replicate this practice should peruse the webpage:

d49.org/families and consider how this might be replicated and modified to serve the needs of families within their districts.

## FAMILY RESOURCES

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Our families are our foundation. They are made up of a wide variety of cultures, socioeconomic backgrounds, beliefs, and experiences; a diversity that makes us strong. We strive to make our D49 families feel safe, supported, and connected. Please utilize this site to access information on current parent academies, upcoming events, a wide variety of family-related topics, and links to district and community resources that impact families. This information is provided by Title I Family Engagement as a convenient resource/information hub, but should not be considered an endorsement of any particular agency or business.

Standard 2—Communicating Effectively Essential Element 4—Dedicating Necessary Resources