

# HOW TEACHER PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT SUPPORTS PARENT ENGAGEMENT AND SERVICE USE

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How do MSHS Programs Support Families?

- Encourage Parent Engagement: Parental engagement supports child learning and development. Centers offer accessible opportunities for parent involvement.
- Connect Parents with Support Services: MSHS programs connect families with a wide range of community services to meet their needs.



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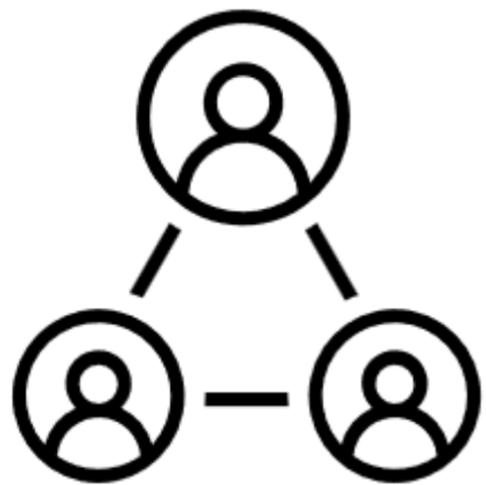
What Was the Study About?

Teachers play a key role in supporting parent engagement and connecting families with community services. This study explored how teacher professional development (PD) relates to family engagement and support service use.

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What Did We Discover?

- Parents received more support services when teachers had more frequent training, as well as training in the areas of parenting education and curriculum.
- Parental engagement was slightly higher when teachers received classroom coaching and training on linking families to services.



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Why It Matters for MSHS Programs

Both parent- and classroom-focused PD for teachers are related to positive outcomes for MSHS parents.

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Call to Action

- Policymakers: invest in PD and teacher supports
- Administrators: prioritize teacher access to a wide variety of PD opportunities
- Researchers: identify ongoing barriers and facilitators to MSHS parent engagement and support service use

