

# What Does High Impact Family Engagement Look Like in Middle and High Schools?<sup>1</sup>

Higher Impact on student learning/success	Moderate Impact	Lower Impact
<p>1. Transition program – events at feeder schools, tours of new school, 4-week HS prep summer course – welcomes families:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Convey college/career prep focus your student will graduate in 4 years with college acceptance letter in hand</li> <li>• Relate academic programs to careers</li> <li>• Prepare students for high school work</li> <li>• Help families construct their role in supporting their students' success</li> </ul> <p>2. Workshops for families:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Courses needed to graduate and go to college/post-secondary education</li> <li>• What high-level academic work looks like at each grade level</li> <li>• Where to get needed help for students</li> <li>• Tests, applications and timelines required for college</li> </ul>	<p>Fall Family Academy to orient incoming families to expectations of students, such as attendance requirements and credits needed for graduation.</p> <p>Staff conduct trainings for families to help them understand how to navigate the requirements of high school. Information about how</p>	<p>At freshman orientation, parents can pick up their students' class schedules and bus passes, and tour the school.</p> <p>Information sheets about school programs and</p>
<p>6. Parent organization and leadership represent all families in the school.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Parent leaders sit on college pathways and school leadership teams</li> <li>• Parent organization does focus groups with families to surface issues and report back to school leadership</li> </ul>	<p>Homework help and mentoring program to ensure families know about and can access</p>	<p>to review the Student Success Plan.</p>