# Bilingual Parent Liaisons

Opening the Doors to Culture and Community

#### The Goal of the Role

The goal of the Bilingual Parent Liaisons is to enhance involvement for Spanish speaking parents in every aspect of the Unit 5 school community.

Research shows that parental involvement results in:

- Improved attendance and achievement
- Better social skills and classroom behavior
- Higher self confidence and motivation



#### Who are the Bilingual Parent Liaisons?



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#### **Key Responsibilities**

- Support families and school staff for effective two way communication
  - Building Administrators
  - School Office Staff
  - Nurses
  - Special Education Teams
  - Transportation

- Interpret the language and American school system for families
- Connect families with community resources.
- Provide support for families with transition shock.

### **Encouraging Family Engagement**

Bilingual Parent Advisory Council (BPAC)

- Organizing volunteers
- Creating a system of communication to build community and connection
- Increase participation at Statewide
  Parent Summit



#### **Supporting Family Involvement**

- Tutoring for parents on Infinite Campus Parent Portal
- Video Tutorials on UNIT 5 website
- Walking With Your Child Through Middle School Series
- Te Invito sessions at NCHS



#### **Supporting Participation**

- Coordinate interpreters for Conferences
  - ISU Sigma Delta Pi
- Support Band and Orchestra Participation
  - Registration, instrument rentals
- Summer program for parents
  - ESY translation, family picnic

#### **Special activities**

## Atrévete a Soñar ISU Visit for 5th grade







**Hispanic Heritage Month Celebration** 

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Our success is our students' success.



## **Preguntas?**

Thank you for your continued support.

