



10 Tips for Engaging Caregivers



1. Gather basic information from all families about their values and what they would like their children to get out of the Club experience when they sign up.



2. Host regular family dinner nights and ask families to help you plan the menu.



3. Put together a parent focus group to understand the issues affecting the community.



4. Ask parents to join existing planning committees or groups.



5. Encourage parents to volunteer their skills and talents by being a guest program lead for the day.



6. Get parent input on your Club rules and expectations for youth behavior.



7. Explain that your Club wants to understand family values and invite the parents to share them.



8. Ask families what they care about and would like to work on as a Club community.



9. Meet one on one with a parent to reflect together on what a young person's actions may mean.



10. Add additional practices (e.g., home visits or gatherings at community centers, churches or cultural centers) where necessary to connect with families.