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Increasing African American and Latino Parental Involvement in School

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## Involving Our Parents Presentation Handout

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## Promising Initiatives

- Operation Home Front
- Cultural Competency
- Jamaica Plain Parenting Initiative

## Are You Communicating Effectively

- If you don’t know where you’re going, take any road...
- “If You Build It, They Will Come”

## Effective Schools

- Give Parents A Reason To Keep In Touch
- Establish Strategic Partnerships
- Involve Parents In Decision Making

## What Can Educators Do

- Expand Your Resource Pool
- Maintain Your Optimism
- Refuse To Become Toxic