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Dear Educator,

Following is our Research-Based Resources matrix.

All the resources we offer have been developed on the basis of research-based principles. They offer general tips on a variety of topics including, raising and/or communicating with children, how schools and parents can interact effectively, and specific ways to build the skills a child needs to help him or her acquire literacy.

Our resources for Parent Involvement and Family Literacy include: Bookmarks, Parent Booklets, Family Involvement Calendars, Parent Meeting Leader Guides, Parent Meetings on Video and DVD and books for parents, teachers, tutors and mentors.

Thank you for your interest. We appreciate your commitment to Students, Parents and Families.

Sincerely,

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Matrix of Research Supporting DestinationLearn's Parent Involvement and Family Literacy Resources

Measurable Results	Guiding Principles	Supporting Research	Themes
Improved Test Scores	Getting Parents Involved in School and Community (for schools)	Article #4	Communication with your child's teacher
Improved Reading Comprehension	Reading Aloud (for parents & schools)	Article #5	Create an environment for learning at home
Gains in Student Achievement	Being a Good Model (for parents)	Article #6 and Article #7	Communicating effectively with your child about school
Gains in rate of Acquisition of Early Literacy and Learning Skills	Having Books in the Home (for parents)	Article #9 and Article #13	Create an environment for learning at home
Decreased Dropout Rate Increased Graduation Rate	Express High Expectaitons for Your Child's Achievement and Future (for parents)	Article #3	Setting Goals
Increased Adaptiveness to School	Get Involved in Your Child's Education at School and in the Community (for parents)	Article #10	Motivating your child
Restored Confidence among Parents in Children's Schooling		Article #2	PTA, Classroom Volunteer, Adult Education Classes and other Parent Involvement opportunities
Improved Attendance Decreased Truancy		Article #11	
Improved Attendance Decreased Truancy		Article #12	
Reduced Disciplinary Problems	Providing Outreach to Parents (for schools)	Article #8	Building and Sustaining Parent Involvement in Your School
Increased Adaptiveness to School		Article #1	

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