Your Family has a VOICE...

As a member of the school community, you have an important role in your child’s learning. Keep in mind that you have the right to:

- Ask questions about your child’s learning
- Participate in classroom activities and events
- Ask how you can help with your child’s homework
- Share any concerns you have about your child’s growth or learning
- Share information about any changes you’ve noticed in your child’s development
- Share any information that you think would help the teacher work better with your child
- Ask for privacy – that sensitive or confidential information about your family not be shared with the larger school community
- Ask that the school provide you with information that is clear and easy to understand
- Ask that information be made available to you in your native language
- Request an interpreter if one is preferred for communication with school staff
- Ask that your child be assessed/screened if you are concerned about your child’s growth and development
- Ask for a conference or meeting with your child’s teacher to discuss any concerns
- Make your own decisions about your child

This resource is for families to read and understand the shared power they have in their child’s growth and development.

**Recommendations**

**Implementation Settings**
- Before or after school
- Family-teacher conferences
- School events

**Planning Time:** None

**Implementation Time:** 10 minutes to read

**Teachers** can use this resource to understand the shifts that need to be made in order to share power with families.

**Principals** can use this resource to understand the family’s role in having shared power in its child’s growth and development.

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