

Family Friendly Schools Certification 2019-2020 Activities Overview

To receive a Family Friendly School Certification, schools must complete qualifying activities, for which they receive a star for each activity. Additionally, schools must complete the foundational activities to be eligible for a certification level. The number of stars a school receives determines the certification level. Schools aspiring to be Platinum-certified must have achieved gold or higher status the previous year. There are four levels of certification:

Bronze 10 Stars  FAMILY FRIENDLY SCHOOL		Silver 15 Stars  FAMILY FRIENDLY SCHOOL		Gold 20 Stars  FAMILY FRIENDLY SCHOOL		Platinum 25 Stars  FAMILY FRIENDLY SCHOOL	
Levels	Four Fundamental Activities	Building Relationships	Linked to Learning	Parent Advocacy & Sharing Power	Honoring Families: Culture	Free Choice from FFS Manual	Parent Led Series of Events
Bronze	4	1	1	1		3	
Silver	4	2	2	2		5	
Gold	4	3	3	3	1	6	
Platinum	4	4	4	4	2	8	1

Foundational Activities

All schools must complete the following foundational activities to be eligible for a Family Friendly School Certification:

1. Establish and maintain an active **Parent Organization** Group (PTA/PTO). Platinum Certification seekers **must** have an active PTA/O to be certified at that level.
2. Distribute, collect, and analyze the results of the FFS **School Climate Survey**. Share the results with parents and the community and strategize on improving areas of need with the support of a FACE Specialist.
3. Host a Family Friendly School **Walkthrough** facilitated by FACE Specialist.
4. Host the **Two-Way Communication Best Practices Parent Workshop** facilitated by a FACE Specialist.
5. Complete the required number of Parent Workshops facilitated by a FACE Specialist:
 - ❖ **A180 Campuses:** At least 5 parent workshops during the current school year.
 - ❖ **Platinum Certification seekers:** At least 5 parent workshops during the current school year.
 - ❖ **Returning Family Friendly Schools** (not seeking Platinum Certification): At least 3 parent workshops during the current school year.
 - ❖ **Campuses new to Family Friendly Schools:** At least 1 parent workshop during the current school year.

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Please read each question carefully, and check (X) the one answer that most closely fits your opinion. We appreciate your time in completing this survey. ***Please complete and return to school↓

CARING ENVIRONMENT					
Please indicate (X) how much you agree or disagree with the following statements:	Always	Almost Always	Sometimes	Rarely	Never
When I walk into this school, I feel welcome.					
I am treated with respect at this school					
This school respects my cultural heritage					
Students at my child's school are treated fairly no matter what their racial or cultural background					
I feel welcome at this school's PTA/PTO parent group meetings					
PROBLEM SOLVING					
I have a good relationship with my child's teacher					
When I have the need, I am able to talk to the school principal					
This school has a clear process for addressing my concerns					
If staff members at this school cannot help me, I know that they will refer me to someone else who can					
COMMUNICATION					
My child's teacher lets me know quickly if my child is having a problem with behavior.					
My child's teacher lets me know quickly if my child is having a problem with homework					
My child's teacher lets me know quickly if my child is having a problem with tests					
My child's teacher lets me know quickly if my child is having a problem fitting in with other students					
My child's teacher lets me know quickly if my child is having a problem with special projects					
At this school, it is easy to get a translator if I need one					
Staff at this school talk with other families and with me before making important decisions					
I understand this school's rules and requirements about student dress, language, and behavior at my child's school.					
STUDENT PROGRESS					
My child's teacher keeps me informed on how my child is doing academically.					
I understand the standards my child is supposed to meet.					
My child's teacher and this school give me useful information about how to improve my child's progress					
At this school, students feel challenged to do their best					
SATISFACTION					
I am satisfied with the quality of this school					
I would recommend this school to family and friends with children					

What is this school doing that is most helpful to you and your child?

Please share one thing that you wish this school could do to improve.

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Por favor lea cuidadosamente cada oración e indique (X) la respuesta que este mas cercana a su opinión. Agradecemos el tiempo que se tomó para contestar la encuesta. ****Por favor complete y regréselo a la escuela*↓

AMBIENTE AMIGABLE					
Por favor indique (X) que tanto está de acuerdo con las siguientes oraciones:	Siempre	Casi Siempre	Algunas Veces	Rara Vez	Nunca
Cuando entro a la escuela me siento bienvenido(a).					
Me tratan con respeto en la escuela.					
La escuela respeta mi herencia cultural.					
Los estudiantes en la escuela de mi hijo(a) son tratados justamente sin importar su raza o cultura.					
Me siento bienvenido(a) en las reuniones de padres (PTA/PTO)					
RESOLUCION DE PROBLEMAS					
Tengo una buena relación con el maestro(a) de mi hijo(a).					
Cuando he tenido la necesidad, he podido hablar con el/la decano, el/la director(a) y/o con un miembro del equipo administrativo de la escuela.					
Esta escuela tiene un proceso claro para resolver problemas.					
Si los miembros de la escuela no me pueden ayudar, yo sé que ellos me pueden referir a alguien que pueda ayudarme.					
COMUNICACION					
El maestro(a) de mi hijo(a) me avisa rápidamente si él/ella tiene algún problema de comportamiento.					
El maestro(a) de mi hijo(a) me avisa rápidamente si él/ella tiene algún problema con la tarea.					
El maestro(a) de mi hijo(a) me avisa rápidamente si él/ella tiene algún problema con los exámenes.					
El maestro(a) de mi hijo(a) me avisa rápidamente si él/ella tiene algún problema relacionándose con otros alumnos.					
El maestro(a) de mi hijo(a) me avisa rápidamente si él/ella tiene algún problema con algún proyecto especial.					
En esta escuela es fácil conseguir un traductor si es necesario.					
El personal de esta escuela habla con otras familias y conmigo antes de tomar decisiones importantes.					
Entiendo las reglas de la escuela y los reglamentos acerca del vestuario, lenguaje y comportamiento de mi hijo(a) en la escuela.					
PROGRESO DEL ESTUDIANTE					
El maestro(a) de mi hijo(a) me mantiene bien informado(a) acerca del progreso de mi hijo(a).					
Entiendo los estándares académicos que mi hijo(a) debe alcanzar.					
El maestro(a) de mi hijo(a) y la escuela me dan información útil acerca del progreso de mi hijo(a).					
En esta escuela, los estudiantes se sienten motivados a dar lo mejor de ellos.					
SATISFACCION					
Estoy satisfecho(a) con la calidad de la educación en esta escuela.					
Recomendaría esta escuela a mis familiares y amigos que tienen niños.					

¿Qué es lo mejor que la escuela hace para ayudarle a usted como padre?

Por favor comparta algo que desee que la escuela pudiera hacer para mejorar.