CERTIFICATE OF COMPLETION



TEACHER ACADEMY COURSE

Effective Parental Engagement for Student Learning

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This is to certify that

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has successfully completed the "Effective Parental Engagement for Student Learning" online course on the Teacher Academy

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Course details

Duration: 12 hours

Description: http://academy.schooleducationgateway.eu//web/effective-parental-engagement-

for-student-learning

Organiser: School Education Gateway, Directorate General for Education and Culture of the

European Commission

To contact the organisers visit: http://www.schooleducationgateway.eu/en/pub/about.htm

Learning Objectives & Activities



Module 1: Why Engage Parents in School?

Learning objectives:

- 1. Make first connections with fellow course participants
- 2. Reflect about your reason for joining the course
- 3. Develop awareness of the problem of early school leaving
- 4. Identify how you see the role of parents in your classroom and school



Module 2: Communicating and Sharing with Parents

Learning objectives:

- 1. Develop an understanding about the prerequisites for a positive relationship with parents and the role of communication as part of such relationship
- 2. Reflect on and discuss different communication methods and channels with parents
- 3. Reflect on the challenges of communicating with parents of different socioeconomic, cultural, and language backgrounds
- 4. Identify strategies to overcome challenges of communicating with a diverse group of parents
- 5. Identify and discuss ICT tools that can facilitate the communication and sharing with parents
- 6. Start working on your lesson plan or action plan



Module 3: Involving Parents in Educational Activities

Learning objective:

- 1. Reflect on how we can create spaces/opportunities for active parental involvement in our pedagogical work with students
- 2. Understanding the benefits of having parents work with us in classrooms
- 3. Understanding the challenges of having parents work with us in classrooms, and how to overcome these
- 4. Identify a range of ways how parents can be involved in classroom work



Module 4: Supporting Family Learning

Learning objectives:

- 1. Understand the importance of supporting learning in families
- 2. Identify activities, strategies to bring the joy of learning to parents who have had negative experiences of school
- 3. Understand some key principles to follow for organising home visits to families
- 4. Reflect on how you could organise more or more effective home visits
- 5. Identify similar types of schemes to the Irish Home School Community Liaison Scheme in your country, which can support your work with parents and in particular with home visits.
- 6. Prepare an action plan or lesson plan incorporating key aspects covered on the course
- 7. Review the work of 3 fellow course participants

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- 8. Learn about the INCLUDE-ED project and how an approach called dialogic gatherings can bring learning into families.
- 9. Learn about the work of your peers by joining our course Teachmeet