What Does Parent Involvement Look Like?

- Visit your child's classroom; a visit will give you an idea of what your child does at school and how he or she interacts with other children.
- Volunteer to help in the classroom as an assistant (listening to children read, for example, or serving as an aide during computer work).
- Support student events and performances by helping with them (such as sewing costumes or painting scenery for a school play) and by attending them.
- If your school has a Parents' Room/Lounge or Parent Center, drop in to meet other parents and teachers there, or to pick up information and materials.
- Participate in workshops that are offered, such as those on child development or concerns that parents have (or help plan such workshops).
- Take advantage of parent-teacher contracts (perhaps agreeing to read with your child for a certain amount of time each night).
- Ask your child's teacher if he or she has materials that you can use to help your child at home and to supplement homework.
- Be part of decision-making committees about school issues and problems, such as a Parent Advisory Committee.
- Sign up for technology options such as Classdojo, Groupme, Remind, Googleclassroom.

Even if it's hard to find time to get involved at school ~

- Ask about your child’s day, what they did, who they played with, and what they might be doing tomorrow. Ask them to draw you a picture!
- Provide a suitable place for doing work at home. If possible, make it quiet and away from the distractions of TV, phone, and loud music.
- Establish rules and routines at home, and monitor screen time (TV, tablet, phone, laptop, etc.)
  - Attend every parent/teacher conference as scheduled.
  - Communicate regularly with your child’s teacher and respond to all requests for information.
  - Read to your child every day and invite them to read to you. This is one of the most important things to do and will encourage a lifetime love of learning!