

FAMILY ENGAGEMENT

Organization Name	Description	Contact	
21 st Century School Fund	The 21st Century School Fund builds public will and capacity for educationally appropriate school facilities that meet community needs.	http://21csf.org	202-745-3745
Catholic Charities	Catholic Charities assists individuals and families in need, especially those who are most vulnerable. We believe in helping people develop the skills and strength to move from crisis or isolation to stability and growth.	http://www.catholiccharitiesdc.org/	202-772-4300
Center for Child Protection and Family Support	A non-profit social service agency that provides services and programs directly to children and families and also provides professional training on various child welfare issues.	http://centerchildprotection.org	202-544-3144
Coalition for Community Schools\	The Coalition for Community Schools, housed at the Institute for Educational Leadership, is an alliance of national, state and local organizations in education K-16, youth development, community planning and development, family support, health and human services, government and philanthropy as well as national, state and local community school networks. Community schools are both a place and a set of partnerships between the school and other community resources.	http://www.communityschools.org/	202-822-8405 ext.111
Coalition for DC Public Schools & Communities	The Coalition for Public Schools & Communities is committed to excellent public education opportunities for all children in our city. Our members are a diverse group of activists – Ward-level education councils, school organizations and other groups – who share a common goal.	www.c4dcpublicschools.org/	c4dcpublicschools@gmail.com
Collaborative Solutions for Communities	Our mission is to build strong sustainable families and neighborhoods through family support services, training, advocacy, community capacity building, and economic development. Our vision is to empower urban neighborhoods to become environments where families and youth flourish.	http://wearecsc.org/	202-518-6737

Communities in Schools DC (Nation's Capital)	Communities In Schools is the largest, most effective dropout prevention organization dedicated to keeping kids in school and helping them to succeed.	http://cisionscapital.org	202-333-2277 or 202-563-5788
Critical Exposure	Critical Exposure trains youth to use photography and advocacy to make real change in their schools and communities. We're creating a new generation of civic leaders who have: the tools to express themselves, the creativity to imagine new solutions to old problems, the belief that youth have the right and ability to fight for those solutions, and the skills to hold communities and public officials accountable.	http://criticalexposure.org	202-745-3745 ext. 20
DC Alliance for Youth Advocates	The DC Alliance of Youth Advocates (DCAYA) is a coalition of youth- engaged organizations, youth and concerned residents formed to ensure that all children and youth in the District of Columbia have access to high- quality and affordable developmental opportunities. We accomplish this mission by crafting policy recommendations, providing structured advocacy opportunities for our members and allies, networking and empowering youth.	http://www.dc-aya.org/	202-587-0616
DC Fiscal Policy Institute	The DC Fiscal Policy Institute conducts research and public education on budget and tax issues in the District of Columbia, with a particular emphasis on issues that affect low- and moderate-income residents.	http://www.dcfpi.org/	202-408-1080
East River Family Strengthening Collaborative	The mission of East River Family Strengthening Collaborative, Inc. (ERFSC) is to empower families, youth, seniors and communities to become more self-sufficient through integrated and collaborative community based services.	http://www.erfsc.org/	202-397-7300

Edgewood/Brookland Family Support Collaborative	Their mission is to strengthen families and build vibrant communities in Wards 5 and 6 in Washington, D.C., through the fostering and creating neighborhood-based support networks that promote healthy families, safe neighborhoods and a thriving city for all residents.	http://ebfsc.org/	202-832-9400
Fair Chance DC	Fair Chance improves the lives of children in Washington, DC's most underserved communities by selecting promising youth-serving nonprofits and providing them with free comprehensive expertise in organizational management for up to two years. Our partnership model – up to 500 hours per nonprofit – results in stronger organizations and significant and lasting benefits for the children they serve.	http://fairchancedc.org	202-467-2420
Far Southeast Family Strengthening Collaborative	The Far Southeast Family Strengthening Collaborative, Inc. © is a unique private non-profit, grass-roots organization serving children and families in the Ward 8 community. As we value the relationship of the family, it is our goal to assist, nurture, support, and sustain relationships within and around the community that positively impact the family.	http://www.fsfsc.org/	202-889-1425
Fight for Children	We fight to improve the lives of children in low-income neighborhoods in Washington, DC. Strengthening schools by providing school leaders and teachers the training and tools they need to help students succeed since 1990.	http://fightforchildren.org	202-772-0400
Georgetown Law - DC Street Law Program	DC Street Law brings together law students, high school students, and community members to explore the intersection of law, public school education, and community improvement using learner-centered teaching methods.	https://www.law.georgetown.edu/academics/academic-programs/clinical-programs/our-clinics/DC-Street-Law-Program/index.cfm	202-662-9600
Georgia Avenue Family Support Collaborative	The Georgia Avenue Family Support Collaborative (GAFSC) was formed in 1998 when two organizations, Lutheran Social Services and the Urban Family Institute, reached out to residents and churches in Ward 4 and Ward 1 to respond to the needs of at-risk families and children. The Collaborative currently serves families, caretakers, children and youth living in any part of Ward 4.	http://gafsc-dc.org/	202-722-1815
Grassroots Education Project	The Grassroots Education Project empowers communities to serve schools and improve outcomes. Our vision is to transform the	http://www.grassrootseducationproject.org/	202-719-0525

	relationship all neighborhood schools have with their surrounding community, developing a sense of shared responsibility leading to direct collective action to improve student outcomes.		
Mentors Inc.	A private, nonprofit organization that pairs Washington, DC public high school students with trained adult mentors.	http://mentorsinc.org	202-783-2310
National Network for Youth	The nation's leading organization advocating at the federal level to educate the public and policymakers about the needs of homeless and disconnected youth.	http://nn4youth.org	202-783-7949
New Community for Children	New Community for Children (NCFC) transforms the lives of children and youth in the District of Columbia by supporting academic achievement, developing life skills, fostering creativity and cultural awareness, nurturing spiritual connections and growth, and empowering children to succeed.	http://ncfc-dc.org	202-232-0457
Parental Readiness and Empowerment Program, The (PREP)	The Parental Readiness and Empowerment Program (PREP) seeks to improve K-12 student performance, retention, and access to equal educational opportunities. We serve low-income and minority children in targeted communities by increasing parental engagement in education and ensuring that parents become successful advocates for their children. Our goal is for every child to have meaningful access to a quality education.	https://prepparents.org/	202-662-8600
Playworks	Playworks offers training and full-time services for schools and youth development organizations throughout Washington DC, Maryland, and Virginia.	http://playworks.org	202-822-0097
Raise DC	Raise DC is a cross-sector partnership of local stakeholders formed to promote a culture shift from competition over Washington, DC, resources to collaboration, in providing every youth with opportunities to succeed from cradle to career.	www.raisedc.org/	202-263-4770
Reading Partners DC	Our mission is to help children become lifelong readers by empowering communities to provide individualized instruction with measurable results.	http://readingpartners.org	202-701-9110
School Talk	SchoolTalk is a DC-based non-profit organization that brings special education dispute prevention and early dispute resolution programs to DC schools. We work with school personnel and the parents or guardians of special education students to help ensure that everyone works	www.schooltalkdc.org	202-907-6887

	collaboratively toward the goal of securing Free and Appropriate Public Education (FAPE) for students with disabilities.		
Senior High Alliance of Parents Principals and Educators	S.H.A.P.P.E. is an organization of the District of Columbia Public (DCPS) high school parent leaders, concerned educators and principals in Washington D.C.	https://sites.google.com/site/shappesite/	202-722-4462 or dc.s.h.a.p.p.e@gmail.com
Sexual Minority Youth Assistance League	SMYAL supports and empowers lesbian, gay, bisexual, transgender, and questioning (LGBTQ) youth in the Washington, DC metropolitan region. Through youth leadership, SMYAL creates opportunities for LGBTQ youth to build self-confidence, develop critical life skills, and engage their peers and community through service and advocacy.	http://smyal.org	202-546-5940
Turning the Page	Turning the Page links D.C. Public Schools, families and our communities so that, together, we can ensure D.C. students receive valuable educational resources and a high-quality public education.	http://turningthepage.org	202-347-9841
Advocates for Justice and Education	The mission of Advocates for Justice and Education is to educate parents, youth and community about the laws governing public education, specifically for children with special needs. We seek to empower youth and parents to be effective advocates on behalf of their children to ensure that they receive an appropriate education	http://www.aje-dc.org/	(202) 678-8060
Boys Town Washington, DC	Direct care services for children include four Family Homes in the District, and a Foster Family ServicesSM program that places children of all ages in safe homes in the community. The site also offers In-Home Family ServicesSM, and Community Support ServicesSM, which focus on providing Common Sense Parenting® classes that help parents expand and improve their child-rearing skills. These services and programs touch the lives of 6,200 children and families in the District of Columbia each year.	http://www.boystown.org/locations/washington-dc	202-832-7343

City Year DC	At City Year, we're working to bridge the gap in high-poverty communities between the support that students actually need, and what their schools are designed and resourced to provide. In doing so, we're helping to increase graduation rates across the country, and changing the lives of the students we serve.	http://cityyear.org/dc	202-776-7780
DC Department of Health - Community Health Administration (Infants, Children, Teens and School Health)	DOH operates a number of programs to ensure that infants, children and teens are equipped with the necessary tools and services to make them successful at home, in school, and in their communities. Please follow the program links below for more information on DOH's programs serving DC's infants, children and teens.	http://doh.dc.gov/service/infants-children-teens-and-school-health	202-442-5955
DC Department of Human Services - Family Services Administration	The agency provides protection, intervention and social services to meet the needs of vulnerable adults and families to help reduce risk and promote self-sufficiency.	http://dhs.dc.gov/service/family-services	202-671-4200
DCPS- Parent Curriculum Guides	The Office of Family and Public Engagement and the Office of Teaching and Learning collaborated to create grade specific Parent Guides. These guides give you the tools you need to support your child's learning at	http://dcps.dc.gov/node/114421	202-442-5885

	home. In this booklet, you'll find strategies based on the DCPS curriculum to help your child meet his or her learning goals.		
DCPS- Parent Resources	Our Purpose: To ensure that every DCPS school provides a world-class education that prepares ALL of our students, regardless of background or circumstance, for success in college, career and life.	http://dcps.dc.gov/page/parent-resources-family-community	202-442-5885
DCPS- Special Education Resources for Parents	We're committed to helping all students become successful adults holding good jobs, living independently and engaging in the community. An important component of achieving these goals is ensuring that our schools are inclusive schools that can serve the needs of all our students.	http://dcps.dc.gov/page/special-education-resources-parents	202-442-5885
Family Place	Day center for pregnant/parenting women and their children; offers support groups	www.thefamilyplacedc.org	202-265-0149
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Flamboyant Foundation	Since our beginnings in DC, Flamboyant has worked to develop the capacity of educators to partner effectively with families so that children succeed. Transformation happens when teachers reach out to establish trust, build relationships, and partner with families to support children's academic progress	http://flamboyantfoundation.org/focus/family-engagement/	202-315-2410
Foster & Adoptive Parent Advocacy Center	The Foster & Adoptive Parent Advocacy Center (FAPAC) gives critical support to the foster, kinship, and adoptive families who care for children in the District of Columbia's child welfare system. FAPAC's mission is to significantly improve the lives of children in the District of Columbia child	http://www.dcfapac.org	202-269-9441

	welfare system by empowering their foster, kinship, and adoptive parents to advocate for their children's needs and ensuring the inclusion of those perspectives at every relevant table.		
Martha's Table	Martha's table has worked to build a better future for children, their families, and many neighbors in Washington, DC by increasing access to healthy starts, healthy eating, and healthy connections. They address emergency needs with food and clothing programs, and work to assist children and families as they break the cycle of poverty through education and family support services.	http://marthastable.org/	202-328-6608
National Association of Parents with Children in Special Education	The National Association of Parents with Children in Special Education (NAPCSE) is a national membership organization dedicated to rendering all possible support and assistance to parents whose children receive special education services, both in and outside of school. NAPCSE was founded for parents with children with special needs to promote a sense of community and provide a national forum for their ideas.	http://www.napcse.org/	
Next Year Project, The (TNYP)	TNYP offers opportunities for interaction between students, parents and teachers through school and community-based events focused on reading, recreation, science and technology. The goal is to increase student/teacher interaction while having fun, demonstrating school pride and learning the value of a healthy lifestyle.	http://www.facebook.com/thenextyearproject	202-829-3571
Parent Toolkit	The Parent Toolkit will help you navigate your child's journey from pre-kindergarten through high school. It is designed to help you track and support progress at each stage.	http://www.parenttoolkit.com/	

Transitional Housing Corporation	Transitional Housing Corporation (THC) is a nonprofit that provides housing and comprehensive support services to homeless and at-risk families so that they can transform their own lives.	http://thcdc.org/	202-291-5535
Turning the Page	Turning the Page links D.C. Public Schools, families and our communities so that, together, we can ensure D.C. students receive valuable educational resources and a high-quality public education.	http://turningthepage.org	202-347-9841
US Department of Education -- Parent Resources	ED's mission is to promote student achievement and preparation for global competitiveness by fostering educational excellence and ensuring equal access.	http://www2.ed.gov/parents/landing.jhtml?src=ln	1-800- USA-LEARN (1-800-872-5327)
Virginia Williams Family Resource Center - Central Resource Center for Homeless Families	The Virginia Williams Family Resource Center (VWFRC) is the central resource center for homeless families with minor and/or dependent children that are experiencing housing instability in the District. The mission of VWFRC, in collaboration with the community, is to help create lasting solutions for families experiencing housing instability through self-sufficiency planning, goal setting and goal achievement.	http://www.dccfh.org/programs/housing/virginia-williams-family-resource-center	202-526-0017