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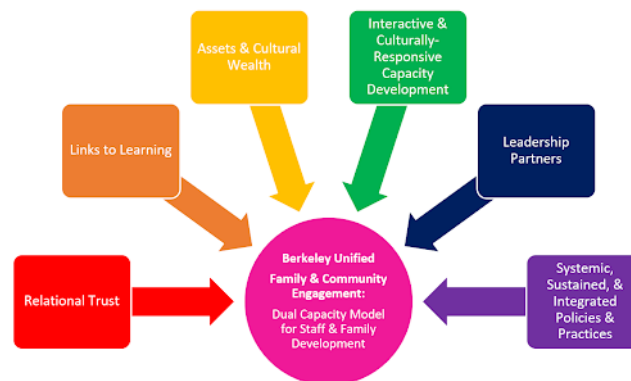
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The mission of the Office of Family Engagement and Equity is rooted in the belief that family engagement is any way that an adult caregiver contributes to supports a child's learning. We build partnerships between families, school staff, and community providers to promote successful outcomes for our students.

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1. Build Relational Trust	2. Link Families to Learning
Activities that build trust and humanize relationships between families, community members, and BUSD staff.	Activities that help families understand and support the academic learning progress of their children.
3. Leverage Family & Community Assets	4. Develop Capacity in Interactive & Culturally-Responsive Ways
Activities that help BUSD understand and leverage the variety of assets and cultural wealth (i.e., strengths, experiences, resources) that our families and community members bring to our community, including connecting staff and families with community organizations.	Activities that help families develop capacity to navigate the system and support their families and community, emphasizing empowerment over dependency and using culturally responsive approaches, and help educators better engage families. Includes opportunities to practice new skills and get feedback.
5. Partner with Families as Learning Leaders	6. Design Systemic, Sustained, & Integrated Family & Community Engagement Programs
Activities that invite families to the table to engage in authentic decision-making, particularly those underrepresented in leadership, to shape the learning experiences for BUSD students.	Activities that support the development of policies and practices for family engagement that will be aligned across the system, sustained over time, support shared responsibility, and collect data for improvement and progress monitoring.

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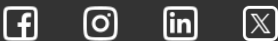
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