

## **PARENTAL INVOLVEMENT**

### **Working Together**

Both experience and research tell us that a child's education succeeds best when there is good communication and a strong partnership between home and school. Your involvement in this partnership may include:

- Encouraging your child to put a high priority on education and working with your child on a daily basis to make the most of the educational opportunities the school provides.
- Ensuring that your child completes all homework assignments and special projects and comes to school each day prepared, rested, and ready to learn.
- Becoming familiar with all of your child's school activities and with the academic programs, including special programs, offered in the district.
- Discussing with the principal any questions you may have about the options and opportunities available to your child.
- Reviewing the requirements of the graduation programs with your child, if your child is entering ninth grade.
- Monitoring your child's academic progress and contacting teachers as needed. [See **Academic Counseling** on page 23 and **Academic Programs** on page 16.]
- Attending scheduled conferences and requesting additional conferences as needed. To schedule a telephone or in-person conference with a teacher, or principal, please call the school office at 806-996-5339 for an appointment. The teacher will usually return your call or meet with you during his or her conference period or before or after school. [See **Report Cards/Progress Reports and Conferences** on page 44.]
- Becoming a school volunteer. [For further information, see policies at GKG and contact Craig Hamilton, Principal, 806-996-5339.]
- Participating in campus parent organizations. Parent organizations include: [Site-Based Decision Making Committee, Parent Advisory Council, and Student Health Advisory Council].
- Serving as a parent representative on the district-level planning committee, assisting in the development of educational goals and plans to improve student achievement. For further information, see policies at BQA and BQB, and contact Craig Hamilton, Principal, 806-996-5339.
- Serving on the School Health Advisory Council, assisting the district in ensuring local community values are reflected in health education instruction. [See policies at BDF, EHAA, FFA, and information in this handbook at **School Health Advisory Council** on page 37.]
- Attending board meetings to learn more about district operations. [See policies at BE and BED for more information.]