

POLICY RECOMMENDATIONS

01 ENSURING SCHOOLS ARE INCLUSIVE

Effective communication between parents and school is scientifically proven to have a positive impact on pupils' performance.

02 TRAINING SCHOOLS

Offering training to school staff on the importance of pursuing efficient communication with the pupils' families is essential in order to ensure that no pupil is disadvantaged.

03 SHOWING RESPECT

Reaching out to parents in a language they understand shows respect and sets the foundations for the targeted parents-school partnership, whose advantages on pupils' well-being and academic achievement are elaborated in scientific research papers.

04 PROVIDING TRANSLATED OFFICIAL DOCUMENTS

Offering translated versions of school registration documents makes families feel welcome and respected.

05 MAKING SCHOOL SYSTEM INFORMATION ACCESSIBLE

Explaining the school system in a language they understand so that they may play an active role in guiding their children when navigating a new school system

06 SCHOOL RULES AND EXPECTATIONS

Communicating clearly

- what is expected from parents
- what is expected from the children

helps them respond to the school's expectations and sets the foundations for an efficient collaboration between the school and the families that benefits the children.

07 EDUCATING PARENTS

Training parents on how they may become an active member of the school community

Inform them about opportunities to

- meet the school teachers
- contribute to school fairs, events
- participate in Parents Association
- organize informal gatherings e.g. Parents Café

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