Parental Involvement Strategies

- Keep parents updated about what’s going on with their child and the classroom through:
  - Daily conversations
  - Newsletters
  - Conferences

- Allow parents, according to their preferences and strengths, to lead activities such as:
  - Reading with children
  - Bringing snacks/cultural foods
  - Using special skills (art, gardening, etc.)
  - Storytelling
  - Singing/playing instruments/bringing recorded music

- Involve parents in special events like:
  - Birthday and holiday parties
  - Child-centered showcases
  - Parent appreciation days

- Give parents a chance to help meet the needs of the center and the children in care through:
  - Parent/teacher work days
  - Wish lists
  - Family posters

- Assess and address parents’ concerns and desires using:
  - Parent education opportunities
  - Parent surveys