

## Many ways to reach parents

### Objective(s)

Learners recognize effective ways to communicate with parents.

### Description

In this activity, learners review Handout 1.5: Parents Speak out – Partnering with Families on Embedded Interventions and then create a note to send home using family-friendly language.

### Required Materials/Resources

#### Learner Materials

- [Handout 1.6: Parents Speak Out - Partnering with Families on Embedded Interventions](#)
- Format for learner responses (written activity form, guidance for discussion)

### Detailed Facilitator Instructions

1. Provide learners with handout.
2. Ask learners individually or in pairs to brainstorm ideas for creating an encouraging, informative note they could send home to describe a new successful, embedded intervention implemented in class. Ask learners to develop a format that would allow families to provide feedback regarding successful embedded interventions at home or in the community.
3. Have learners exchange notes with other learners who will provide feedback on the note and offer suggestions for improvement.
4. Leave time at the end of class for group discussion or chat.
5. Provide feedback.

### Suggested Assessment

No assessment for this activity

### Facilitation Tips

- Learners can respond in class, online, or via email.
- Learners can create a “jargon table” with examples of family-friendly language.

### Alternate Version(s) (refers to different level of difficulty)

- [Activity Guide 1.11a](#): Improve communication with families about embedded interventions
- [Activity Guide 1.11c](#): Communication role play

### Credits

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This activity is part of Module 1: Embedded Interventions. To view the content related to this activity, go to [Step 3: Evidence](#).

**Instructional Method**  
Brainstorming

**Level**  
Beginner

**Estimated Time Needed** 5 minutes for instructor preparation

30-40 minutes for learner activity