
Schedule in-home visits

Connecting with parents individually

As I have said before, the secret to great retention and great recruitment is creating gloriously happy parents. One way to contribute to their satisfaction with your school is to meet with them and listen to their hopes and dreams for their children—your students.

Expect this to be rewarding as well.

"Communication really opened between teachers and parents. After that, parents seemed more open to talking to us when we passed paths in town or even when they came to pick up their children at school. I know that we had one student return to our school this year because of our home visit and our interest in listening to the parents' concerns."

A note on timing:

In Galt, these meetings were done in the spring. At that point, you are looking at what went well over the course of the school year and what you can learn for the next year.

The goal is a little different for visits in the fall. Your aims would be to start the year with