

Connecting Families for Student Success

The Nashville Public Education Foundation (NPEF) is leading a program to increase parental engagement by providing technology access to families who have students in Metro Nashville Public Schools (MNPS). The project helps parents develop skills in digital literacy, student learning, school systems and teacher partnerships to foster parental engagement.

BUDGET

\$148K

\$102K
TVA Connected
Communities

\$46K
Proposed
Match

Background



Confidence to Explore New Opportunities

Over half of MNPS schools report low levels of parent engagement. This lack of engagement may be due to the many MNPS families that lack access to technological resources and knowledge, as most communication between teachers and parents regarding academic progress relies on technology. NPEF increases parent engagement through digital literacy training and improved access to devices.

THE OPPORTUNITY

Underserved Parents

This project strengthens the involvement of historically underserved parents in their children's education by providing resources and training. It also increases parents' confidence in their parenting and ability to help their children learn.

PURPOSE

Parental Engagement in students' learning boosts confidence

Families Lack the Technology needed to communicate with teachers

Scope



Empower Parents

to feel more confident in their parenting skills and ability to assist in learning.



Digital Literacy

skills are developed, decreasing the digital divide among MNPS families.



Initiative Impact

in 12 participating schools, helping 144 families.

QUANTITY

144
families

12
schools during first year

THE GOAL

Increase Parental Engagement

Providing underserved parents access to technical training helps increase their participation in their students' academic careers.

Performance

Key Performance Indicators

- Increase in parental engagement
- Increase in parent confidence in digital literacy

The Value

Digital Literacy

- Increased access to technological training
- Increased access to connected devices

Parental Engagement

- Enhanced student performance and success
- Improved classroom and educator support

Student Benefits

- Increased positive outcomes for students
- Increased parental involvement in student education

Key Partners

PROJECT LEAD

Nashville Public Education Foundation

ADDITIONAL PARTNERS

Google Fiber

Metropolitan Nashville Public Schools

Tennessee Valley Authority



Timeline

Phase 1

Research and data collection

Phase 2

Program design

Phase 3

Instructor recruitment and training

Phase 4

Communications and recruitment

Phase 5

Implementation

Phase 6

Monitoring

Phase 7

Closing



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