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Parents and community members are an integral part of the school community. The school went from an average of 1-2 parent volunteers a day, to averaging 10 parent volunteers on a daily basis, through the creation of the Parent Center. The Parent Center is a space where many essential tasks that teachers would otherwise spend their evenings and weekends completing are now done with the help of parents. Friendships amongst parents have been cultivated and their sense of pride and ownership has spread throughout the school community. The school went from 1 community volunteer day a year to averaging 1 volunteer day a month. Volunteers look forward to painting, building, gardening, reading to students, and participating in Multicultural Field Day.