

## What do high-performance community partners do?

High-performance partners initiate activities that encourage students and enrich their educational experiences. While developing strong one-on-one relationships, these partners engage in a variety of projects in some of the following categories:

**Academic Enrichment/Career Awareness:** provide readers for classes; host job shadowing opportunities; conduct interview skills workshops; participate in career days; provide newspapers for classroom instruction; serve as resource speakers or tutors

**Student Incentives/Motivation:** sponsor awards for bringing up grades, most improved student, perfect attendance; sponsor academic awards banquet, citizenship projects, students of the month; serve as mentors for students

**Cultural Enrichment:** develop or sponsor arts festivals; sponsor visits by performing artists; provide scholarships to local cultural events, share information about their own culture

**Improving School Environment:** donate equipment; assist with landscaping; participate in clean up days or beautification projects at school

**Faculty Support and Recognition:** assist with classes in cafeteria during lunch; host a "Welcome Back" reception for teachers; award mini-grants for teachers or departments; recognize teachers during American Education Week or Teacher Appreciation Week

**Community Involvement:** recycle phone books, newspaper, cans, soup labels; provide assistance for school in transporting recycled products; assist families in need; supplement clothes closet for school; furnish school supplies and food for weekend backpacks