



Parent Power School Quality Checklist

School Name: _____

Quality I. Safe and Supportive Environment:	Always (4 points)	Most of the Time (3 points)	Sometimes (2 points)	Hardly Ever (1 point)	Never (0 points)	Don't Know
1. Is the discipline code available and explained to parents and children?						
2. Are school rules and sanctions enforced clearly and fairly for all students?						
3. Do you feel good about the discipline methods used?						
4. Does your child feel safe and secure at school?						
5. Is your child treated with respect at this school?						
6. Is the school building neat, clean, and comfortable?						
TOTAL: _____ out of 24 points						

Comments:

Quality II. High Expectations and Professional School Climate:	Always (4 points)	Most of the Time (3 points)	Sometimes (2 points)	Hardly Ever (1 point)	Never (0 points)	Don't Know
1. Do your child's teachers spend a majority of time each day teaching reading, writing, and math?						
2. Are your child's interests and talents being developed at this school?						
3. Is your child interested in his/her classes?						
4. Does the school set high goals for your child?						
5. Does the school set high goals for <i>all</i> students?						
6. Is your child performing academically at the level to which he or she is capable?						
TOTAL: _____ out of 24 points						
Comments:						

Quality III. Effective Teaching and Learning:	Always (4 points)	Most of the Time (3 points)	Sometimes (2 points)	Hardly Ever (1 point)	Never (0 points)	Don't Know
1. Are you told at the BEGINNING of the year what the grade level requirements are in reading, writing, and math?						
2. Is your child doing grade level work in reading and writing?						
3. Is your child doing grade level work in math?						
4. Do you feel this school is preparing your child well for middle school or high school?						
5. If your child is not able to keep pace with the grade level studies, does the teacher change his/her teaching approach, give him/her extra time and help, etc.?						
6. If your child needs the help of a counselor or other extra help, is he/she able to get it?						
TOTAL: _____ out of 24 points						
Comments:						

Quality IV. Communication and Parental Relations:	Always (4 points)	Most of the Time (3 points)	Sometimes (2 points)	Hardly Ever (1 point)	Never (0 points)	Don't Know
1. Do you feel warmly welcomed when you visit school?						
2. Is the principal available to you when you need to talk?						
3. Do teachers (and others) respond to your concerns, questions or requests in a timely fashion?						
4. Do you hear when your child is doing well?						
5. Between report cards, do you get information about your child's progress?						
6. Are parents part of the decision-making teams at school?						
TOTAL: _____ out of 24 points						
Comments:						

Quality V. Student Outcomes and School Effectiveness	All Grade Levels Have Improved (4 points)	A Lot of Improvement (3 points)	Some Improvement (2 points)	Little Improvement (1 point)	No Improvement (0 points)	Don't Know
1. Has your child's school made solid improvement on test scores in reading and writing?						
2. Has your child's school made solid improvement on test scores in math?						
3. Compared to other schools in the area, how much has your school improved?						
4. Does your school have a high percentage of children doing grade level work?						
5. How much has the school closed the academic gap between children of different races or economic status?						
6. How much improvement is evident on the schools AYP goals under NCLB?						
TOTAL:_____ out of 24 points						
Comments:						

Discussion Questions:

1. What's working? (18 points or more)

2. What's not working? (17 points or less)

3. What information do I need still need to find out?