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Dr. Ms. Vanhoy,

The Stand for Children's Home Visit Project (HVP) has served as an asset for Early Learning over the past six years. As family engagement being one of our top priorities, we found value in how the HVP supported educators in becoming equipped with the specific skills needed to nurture relationships with families. Through on-going professional development and training, our reach was able to be extended to principals and principal supervisors for a comprehensive campus approach.

Working collaboratively with Stand for Children, our department was able to grow the number of home visits conducted each year, and more importantly, the interest of our staff members desiring to connect with families increased. An additional benefit of our partnership resulted in our department having the opportunity to participate in the *Flamboyant Cohort* where family-school relationships were strengthened through allowing for intentional positive experiences.

Stand for Children has helped our core team develop supports over the years to sustain home visiting efforts facilitated by our Office of Community Engagement. Our teachers' confidence in students' abilities, positive experiences for families, and increased student attendance are structures that will remain.

Sincerely,

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