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SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS



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Stacey Vanhoy  
1800 N. Lamar  
Dallas, Texas 75202

Dear Mrs. Vanhoy,

The Dallas Independent School District is honored to recognize and express our gratitude for the partnership and collaboration with Stand for Children in the implementation of the Home Visit Project (HVP). Together, the program expanded from a few campuses in 2015 to the participation of 134 campuses. Over the six years, more than 1,200 educators have conducted nearly 22,000 visits building trusting relationships with families.

As one of two Executive Directors in the district that embraced, supported, and launched the HVP pilot in feeder pattern schools, I soon realized the impact of the visits. Both teachers and families forged deep partnerships to support students. This relationship-building strategy has provided a foundation for the district's family engagement model. Over the past six years, I have seen how HVP has trained and supported teachers and school staff to unite the community, promote parent and student engagement, and enhance academic success in Dallas ISD.

Based on the implementation of home visits, the district has enhanced district efforts to support the program. Additional funds have been allocated, professional development has been created, and a data platform has been developed as the district has institutionalized our Home2Home Visit Program. Working with Stacey Vanhoy and Brandi Watts of Stand for Children has assisted in making all of this possible.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Liliana Valadez". The signature is fluid and cursive.

Liliana Valadez, Ed.D.  
Executive Director  
Parent Advocacy & Support Services