

## Inclusive Education

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# What true partnership looks like

We are true partners  
when:

- ✓ you listen to what I have to say
- ✓ you acknowledge my intelligence
- ✓ you want to learn more about my ways
- ✓ you don't judge me
- ✓ you engage me in genuine dialogue
- ✓ we make decisions together
- ✓ you show that my child matters to you
- ✓ you include my experience, knowledge, and viewpoints with yours.

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