What Happens When a Child’s Family Welcomes a Teacher into Their Home?

Families are the experts on their children. Teachers are the experts in the classroom. Both want the best for their students. Parent Teacher Home Visits are designed to build a trusting relationship between equal partners, so that the most important adults in a child’s life can work together to support the child’s learning and growth.

PTHV is also a national nonprofit organization that provides training and support to schools and districts so that they can realize the widespread impact that comes from strong and systematic implementation of its model.

The PTHV Model

The success of Parent Teacher Home Visits relies on training teachers and staff to develop meaningful relationships with the families of their students, starting with voluntary home visits. These are short, 30-40 minute conversations, in which educators listen, ask questions, and make observations that they can take back to their classrooms to improve instruction for the learner. As a two-visit model, PTHV encourages the initial, ice-breaking visit to occur in the summer or early fall. This first visit focuses on sharing hopes and dreams. It is followed by ongoing communication throughout the term and a second visit that focuses on academics or any other relevant issue to the student or family.
Everyone Plays on the Same Team to Help Students Succeed

For more about how we do this and the research behind it, please visit pthvp.org. If you have questions or would like to explore how home visits could make a difference in your community, please call us (916) 448-5290.