



Making Footprints that Lead  
the Way to Academic  
Achievement for  
Multilingual Learners

# Sanibel Leadership Conference

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## **Family engagement is the key to all learning.**

### Key Points:

- Provide a supportive environment
- Use the Four E's: Experiences, Expressions, Explanations, Extras
- Provide information on the "Big Six" of the Science of Reading:
  - Oral Language
  - Phonological Awareness
  - Phonics
  - Vocabulary
  - Fluency
  - Comprehension
- NAEP Scores tell a story about the need for family engagement at an early age to promote reading and math success
- Provide families with knowledge of:
  - school subjects their children are studying
  - suggestions on quality children's literature
  - how to support curiosity and creativity for their children
  - making a plan for playing with, engaging with, and reading with their children at least 15 minutes a day
  - how to use academic vocabulary at home
- Share resources with families such as:
  - Colorín Colorado
  - Reading Rockets
  - Teacher Created Materials free webinars

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