Teaching for Change Application to be a 
Family Engagement Partner School

Teaching for Change is pleased to announce an opening for a new school to join the cohort of D.C. public schools implementing our nationally recognized approach to family engagement, called Tellin’ Stories. Teaching for Change seeks to partner with schools for a period of three to five years. We believe that for schools to provide the quality education our children deserve, families, schools and communities must be involved as purposeful partners in the education process.

Please visit www.TeachingforChange.org/TSpartnerapplication for complete information. All applications must be submitted online, by email, or postmarked by Friday, March 9, 2018.

Name of person applying: ____________________________________________

Role or title of person applying: _______________________________________

e.g. Principal, Parent Coordinator, Parent, Counselor, ELL Teacher, Community Partner

If the person applying is a community partner, please include the name of your organization: ____________________________________________

Email address of person applying: _____________________________________

Phone number of person applying: ______________________________________

School name: __________________________________________________________

City, State: _____________________________________________________________

Please check the following eligibility criteria that apply to your school
Select all that apply

- The school has an early childhood program (pre-K, preschool, Head Start)
- The school is a Title I school
- The majority of families are low-income, immigrant, and/or racial and ethnic minorities
- The school is located in the D.C. metro area
- The school is a public or public charter school

Preference will be given to DC Public Schools located east of the Anacostia River.
Principal's full name and email address: _________________________________

Please check the requirements your school's principal agrees to:
Please confirm with the principal before completing

Commit to creating a welcoming school environment
Have an open door policy for parents
Participate in a 30-minute interview with Teaching for Change staff between March 19 and April 6
Dedicate time and resources to family engagement (including space for a parent center and light refreshments for parent meetings)
Hold a monthly open meeting with parents (Parent-Principal Chit Chat/Principal Coffee)
Participate in planning meetings with Teaching for Change staff members in Spring 2018, and ongoing throughout the school year
Release at least 1 teacher/staff member to attend each session of the Tellin’ Stories Race, Equity, and Family Engagement Seminar (half-day trainings in September, October, November, January, March, and May)

Please list 3 dates AND times the principal can be available for a 30 minute interview between March 19 and April 6, 2018
Please confirm the available days and times with the principal before submitting the application

1) Date ____________, Time ____________
2) Date ____________, Time ____________
3) Date ____________, Time ____________

Include any comments about principal availability (not required)

Please check the participation requirements your school agrees to meet:
Please confirm with the principal before completing

Have an open door policy for parents
Provide time, space, and resources for family engagement activities
Participate in evaluation (surveys, interviews)
Participate in documentation (photography, videography, written reports)
Share student academic data, as appropriate
Release at least 1 teacher/staff member to attend each session of the Tellin’ Stories Race, Equity, and Family Engagement Seminar (half-day trainings in September, October, November, January, March, and May)
School Capacity: Parent Coordinator/Family Engagement Liaison
Please list the name, title, and primary duties of the key family engagement staff person(s) at the school

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School Capacity: Key Teachers and School Staff Contacts
Please list the names and titles of 2-3 teachers, administrators, and/or support staff who can serve as additional key contacts for our staff and will support family engagement efforts (e.g. assistant principal, counselor, teacher, etc.)

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School Capacity: Community Partners and Parent Groups
Please list the names, titles, and organizations of any school partners that support family engagement efforts, and/or any key contacts for the parent organization

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Why is your school interested in partnering with Teaching for Change? What do you hope to gain?
Max 400 words, may be attached separately

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Describe 2-3 strengths of your current family engagement efforts
Max 400 words, may be attached separately

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Describe 2-3 challenges your school faces engaging families
Max 400 words, may be attached separately
How did you hear about Teaching for Change and the Tellin’ Stories Project?

Please indicate that this application is being submitted with the full knowledge and support of the school’s principal

Yes, the principal has approved and fully supports this application.
No, the principal has either not reviewed or not approved this application.

Submission information:

Friday, March 9, 2018, is the deadline to apply.
Please review all information about partnering with Teaching for Change before applying – www.teachingforchange.org/TSpartnerapplication.
Applications may also be completed via the online link available at www.teachingforchange.org/TSpartnerapplication.
Paper applications may be scanned and emailed to ts@teachingforchange.org, or mailed to: Teaching for Change, P.O. 73038, Washington, DC 20056.
Applicants will be contacted soon after applying to schedule principal interviews.

Questions may be emailed to Erika Landberg at elandberg@teachingforchange.org, or call (202) 588-7204 x31.