Education ProgramsParents as Partners

Immigrant parents come to the United States with dreams their children receive a great education, but the path to achieving that dream isn't always clear. Conexión Américas' nationally recognized Padres Comprometidos program, or Parents as Partners, supports immigrant parents as they encounter and learn to navigate the American school system through a 9-week workshop led by volunteer parent facilitators. During the past year, we tailored our curriculum to support families navigating virtual learning and accessing resources remotely. Because of the pandemic, we prioritized family wellbeing and worked with parents to manage stress and regulate emotions for themselves, and learn coping strategies and ways to care for their children's social and emotional needs during this stressful time.



103 parents participated in online workshops 6 virtual program series consisting of 9 workshops each 12 parent facilitators trained 35 MNPS schools represented

4 school districts outside Nashville



Abraham

While over 100 mothers participated in the three workshops we offered in the fall, Abraham was the only father to participate. Originally from Guatemala, Abraham primarily speaks his native, indigenous language, and despite speaking limited Spanish, he attended the workshops to ensure his daughter's success in school. "It helped me learn new words in Spanish, and I want to keep learning more in this country."