

City School District of Albany

Celebrating the important role of parents in student achievement

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Monica is an active member of the Hackett Middle School parent community. She is the school PTA's vice president in 2009-10 and involved in a variety of volunteer activities. Her investment in the school community goes beyond her role as a parent and is directed toward activities and service that will benefit all students.



“We tend to think of ‘getting involved’ in terms of what we do to help out at school, but what we don’t always realize is what we gain in return. The benefits are usually less tangible than those cupcakes we dropped off, but they are real. Most importantly, our kids recognize that they are a priority. They may make a face because you’re chaperoning the school dance, but in reality, they get why you’re doing it.”

