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Single Parent Household
- Children living in single-parent households struggle academically due to a lack of financial stability, a lack of emotional stability, and a lack of parental presence.
- Lack of finances to put towards school supplies, books, and supplemental learning tools.
- With parents that are uninterested in a child’s education come children who lack interest in their own education.
- Single-parents are unable to spend time with their children due to time constraints, which negatively affects academic growth.

Parental Involvement
- According to a study by researchers at University of Texas, more parental involvement has been linked to higher GPA (Benner et al).
- Lack of parental involvement can lead to lack of motivation.
- Many factors can contribute to the level of parental involvement such as socioeconomics, culture, and language barriers.

Culture
- Studies attempt to explain how culture affects levels and expressions of parental involvement.
- Parental involvement is defined differently across cultures.
- Within differing cultures are unique styles of parental involvement.
- Schools should seek to reach out to parents in a culturally relevant and inclusive manner.


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