Type 1: Personal or Individual Involvement and Empowerment

A. **Identify** the topic overall and **develop specific objectives** for your plan. (What do you hope to gain as a result from your plan)

This topic goes into detail about adult education classes, training programs, classroom and center activities and libraries and material center.

The first thing I would do is get families educated on early childhood education. Many families want to be involved in their children's education but don't know where to start. I plan on setting goals for the beginning of the year, this could happen at back to school night. I would try to send helpful resources for families.

The next thing I would do is have families give me regular feedback. This would increase family participation, and by using their feedback their needs and concerns would be adressed. You could use google forms for part of your feedback/ Some questions could be, What is the best thing you like about our center? What could be added/ or changed to improve our service? What activities would you like to see included in our program?

B. **Develop specific activities** in detail for involving families and providing services to them. (There are many ideas already listed in the book, under each type.)

There are many ways to get families involved. Having families involved improves academic outcomes, stronger relationships, increased involvement. So I'm going to talk about preschool since i'm getting a job in this age group. One way to get families involved is to have a preschool open house. I know the past daycare I was working at had open house and they had familys come and play games and meet the teachers they were also able see the art work and classesrooms. We could also have event nights at the school some examples could be

- Daddy-Daughter Dance. ...
- Lego Night. ...
- Magic Show Family Activities for Schools. ...
- Mother's Day Tea.
- Movie Night.

To go into more detail, you could have young female students bond with their fathers or even an important person in their lives. The school can host a daddy-daughter dance. You can include things like a photo booth so they can remember this moment for ever. To get the Mom's involved you can host a Mother's day tea party and have the Mom's and daughters dress up in their best outfits. There are so many great ideas to get parents involved with the school. Even having them come to games will really help with involvement.

A daddy daughter dance is a great way to get the Dads involved with their daughter and its a great way for them to bond with each other. They can get dressed up and go eat and then go dance.

C. **Explain** how you will use community resources in your plan. (What resources will you use and how will you utilize those outside resources in your community to enhance your plan)

The best way for me to use community resources, would be to post on social media and have family's share the post that way more people see it. You can also do a fund raiser to raise money for these events. Bake sales, are always a hit with schools.

Another great way to get parents involved is doing a parent night, where they come and they can do projects with their kids at school. This could be painting or maybe even a scavenger hunt of some sort.