



Building Resiliency

1. Organization Tools and Ideas

➤ Invite others around the table:

- Share your story with potential partners. (Use CFK speaking points.)
- Share link to CFK video: *Do You Have the Heart of a Champion?*
- Organize a Meet and Greet: School staff and partners invite potential partnership organizations to come to the school for a breakfast or lunch to hear more about the school, Caring for Kids, and the school partnership.

➤ Mobilize volunteers within your organization:

- Create awareness of the school's needs by sharing pictures and videos of projects that the partnership has been involved in (videos created by the school or the organization). Be sure to have a volunteer sign-up sheet available afterwards.
- Invite CFK staff and/or principal to speak at your organization.
- Share your mentoring story or the CFK mentoring story written by a high school mentee. Show CFK mentoring video of Dr. Evelyn Hill.
- View CFK Lunch and Learn video for more ideas.

2. School Administration Tools and Ideas

➤ Identify easy on-ramps that can involve many volunteers:

- Carnival Support
- Family Engagement Nights
- Day One Celebration: Volunteers come to school on the first day to welcome and cheer students on as they arrive at school.
- Read Across America/Dr. Seuss's Birthday: Community volunteers come and read to different classrooms.

➤ Promote Caring for Kids at school events:

- Provide Caring for Kids name tags for volunteers that serve at school events.
- Introduce partners at school events: Meet your Teacher Night, Back to School Night, Open House.
- Introduce partners at a PTA meeting and invite them to join the PTA.
- Introduce partners at a staff meeting.

Videos and other resources are available on the Caring for Kids website:

www.caringforkidskc.org