

## Preparing to Engage the Greater Community

### ***Directions:***

#### Option 1:

- a) Consider which community organizations and businesses are already tied to your school (by way of financial or in-kind contributions, parents' employers, providers of tutoring, internship programs, volunteer requirements, etc.). Brainstorm ways to leverage their interest to have a greater effect in a particular classroom, grade level, or the entire-school.
- b) What other community entities exist and could possibly be a partner in instruction? If possible, search the Internet for local social services, board members of non-profit organizations, government entities (e.g., State Fish and Game Department), and outreach programs from companies, community colleges, and universities.

#### Option 2:

Utilize the "*Collaborating with the Community*" professional development module and associated worksheets developed by the Center for the Education and Study of Diverse Populations to more thoroughly walk through this topic. These materials consist of a PowerPoint document and a pdf document.