**Hints for Recruiting *Parents* for Advisory Council:**

* Ask a teacher, staff member, an administrator, or counselor about parents/guardians in your school
* Ask cafeteria workers which parents/guardians eat lunch with their child

* PTA members- they often know dependable individuals who show up to volunteer

* How about the parent/guardian sitting in the car rider line?
* Kindergarten Parents (Wow-they could serve a number of years!) Recruit during Kindergarten Registration
* Ask parents/guardians that you have worked with to reduce barriers

* Ask parents who have students that participate in extra-curricular activities
* Recommendations from feeder schools regarding parents who participated on their advisory council

**Hints for Recruiting *Community* for Advisory Council:**

* Do you have a “best partner” that works with your school?
* Do you know individuals that work in the business sector that would be willing to serve?
* What faith-based organizations reach out to your school or assist with holidays?
* Meet with a business to share with them what you do; many coordinators have recruited AC members this way.
* Interagency councils

**Hints for Recruiting *School Employees/Students* for Advisory Council:**

* What teachers/staff members collaborate with you? Title 1 teachers, PE teacher, or Tech teacher?
* What teachers/staff members assist with families?
* Consider student volunteers in your center
* What students have you worked with to reduce barriers?

\*Immediate family members of center staff may not be AC members, as this is a conflict of interest.

**Once you create an FRYSC Advisory Council, remember to:**

* Make sure they know their purpose and role ( orientation)
* Have meetings that fit your members’ schedules
* Value and respect their time
* Survey what they are good at (besides serving on your council)
* Make sure each member has a voice and is given time to share during your meetings
* Offer beneficial training(s)
* Remember your AC’s purpose as a coordinator
* Show them that you appreciate their work