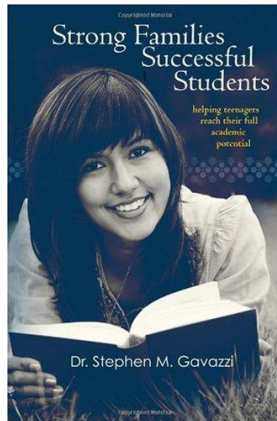


# Engaging Families: The Key to Academic Success

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Dr. Gavazzi will be conducting a workshop that focuses attention on the significant impact that the family has on school success. Based on his new book\* – *Strong Families Successful Students* – Dr. Gavazzi will provide critical information about the development and maintenance of family engagement strategies that can provide the necessary linkages between schools and families. This opportunity is being offered

through The Wellness Institute in Worthington, Ohio and is primarily targeting **teachers, youth directors, guidance counselors, school counselors, psychologists, social workers, and other school personnel.**

- ✦ Where: **Ohio Dominican University**, Columbus, Ohio  
Bishop James A. Griffin Student Center
- ✦ When: **Thursday, October 28, 2010**  
9:00am-4:00pm
- ✦ Cost: \$125.00 – Professional Rate for 6 CEU's (mental health counselors, school counselors, psychologists, social workers)  
\$75.00 – Professional Rate without CEU's  
\$50.00 – Undergraduate/Graduate Student Rate  
\* Credit card payment can be made online at [www.infowellness.org](http://www.infowellness.org).  
\* Lunch available for purchase on site if desired.
- ✦ Call The Wellness Institute (614-505-6874) for more information about The Wellness Institute, Dr. Gavazzi, or the workshop.
- ✦ **Registration Deadline: Friday, Oct. 22<sup>nd</sup>**

Dr. Gavazzi's presentation will cover the following:

- Evidence regarding the significant impact of family factors on educational success
- How family strengths can be identified and used to increase academic potential
- Ways that schools can develop effective family engagement strategies

Learn more about and discuss the "Five Facts about Strong Families":

1. Strong families have a shared positive identity about themselves
2. Strong families understand their members' talents and abilities
3. Strong families are patient and kind
4. Strong families are able to find and use resources
5. Strong families can work together



*\*Please purchase and read this book (available on Amazon.com for \$15) PRIOR to the workshop, as your training day will be based on participants having prior exposure to the material.*

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