

## Family Engagement

CEI will assist and guide school leadership to create strong family-community ties by bringing resources from the community into the school building and, welcoming, encouraging, and developing partnerships with families, businesses, and community-based organizations. CEI looks forward to working with principals, school leadership teams, and parent coordinators to enhance schools' best practices in parent engagement and expand efforts in ways that can further enrich their learning environments.

### *Title I Parent Engagement and Parent Involvement Requirements*

*Title I legislation requires schools receiving Title I allocations to set aside a minimum of one percent of those funds to support Parent Involvement activities. Priority or Focus Schools must set aside an additional one percent for Parent Engagement activities. The primary objective of this additional set-aside is to enable greater and more meaningful parent participation in the education of their children.*

### CEI Team Experts will support school leaders by:

- Assisting principals and school communities in defining a substantive parent involvement and parent engagement program that meets the requirements of Title I.
- Assisting schools in developing, jointly with parents of children participating in Title I services, a written school Parental Involvement Policy that describes how the school will carry out the parental involvement requirements, including the development of a School-Parent Compact.
- Assisting schools in planning and convening an annual meeting to inform parents of their school's participation in Title I programs, and to explain the Title I, Part A requirements, and the rights of parents to be involved in those programs
- Assisting schools in developing and distributing a school newsletter or web publication designed to keep parents informed about school activities and student progress

### Customized Services, Technical Assistance and Professional Learning to be offered to Superintendents and School Communities in the Following Aspects of Parent Engagement and Parent Involvement:

- Professional development for school leaders and teachers related to working with and building effective parent partnerships.
- Developing and delivering interactive literacy activities for parents and their children
- Providing training for parents regarding how to be the primary teacher for their children and full partners in the education of their children
- Providing adult literacy and math services for participating families
- Conducting technology workshops to build parents' capacity to help their children at home
- Assisting schools in keeping parents informed of their child's academic progress and development beyond parent – teacher conferences and report cards.
  - Explaining the implementation of the Common Core Learning Standards
  - Conducting workshops on interpreting standardized test data
  - Providing opportunities for parents to help them understand the Every Student Succeeds Act (ESSA) Law accountability system, student proficiency levels, and Annual School Report Card

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**Customized Services | Expanded Technical Assistance | Enhanced Professional Learning Offerings to Superintendents and School Leaders that is aligned to the School Leadership Competencies:**  
**Personal Leadership | Use of Data | Curriculum and Instruction |**  
**Development of Staff and Community | Use of Resources and Operations**

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## Family Engagement Package

Family engagement is an integral component of any school's success, as it is a focal point of the new ESSA Federal Law. An exemplary family engagement program begins with the creation of a viable plan that brings parents and school members together to listen to what parents think, dream and worry about, as they work in partnership with the school on behalf of their children. The goal of family engagement is not to serve clients, but to gain partners.

The Center for Educational Innovation will assist and guide your school in creating a Family Engagement Policy that urges the participation of parents as partners focusing on student achievement while stressing meaningful two-way communication developed with the key stakeholders to lead to positive outcomes. Working with the school leadership, parent coordinator, and parent leaders we will bring resources from businesses, community-based organizations and educational services into the school building. CEI looks forward to working with the principal, school leadership team, parent coordinator and teachers to enhance the school's best practices in parent engagement and expand their efforts in ways that can further enrich their learning environments.

### Title 1 Parent Engagement and Parent Involvement Requirements

Title 1 legislation requires schools receiving Title 1 allocations to set aside a minimum of one percent of those funds to support *Parent Involvement* activities. Additionally, *Priority* or *Focus Schools* must set aside an additional one percent for *Parent Engagement* activities. The primary objective of this additional set-aside is to enable greater and more meaningful parent participation in the education of their children. CEI Family Engagement Experts will support school leaders by:

- Assisting principal and school community in defining a substantive parent involvement and parent engagement program that meets the requirements of Title 1
- Assist school in developing jointly with parents of children participating in Title 1 services a written school Parental Involvement Policy that describes how the school will carry out the parental involvement requirements, including the development of a School-Parent Compact
- Assist school in developing and distributing a school newsletter or web publication designed to keep parents informed about school activities and student progress

### Customized Services: Technical Assistance and Professional Learning to be offered to School Communities in the following aspects of Parent Engagement and Parent Involvement:

- Professional development for school leaders and teachers related to working with and building effective parent partnerships
- Providing training for parents regarding how to be the primary teacher for their children and full partners in the education of their children
- Conducting technology workshops to build parents' capacity to help their children at home
- Assisting schools in keeping parents informed of their child's academic progress and development, beyond parent-teacher conferences and report cards
  - Explaining the implementation of the school curriculum
  - Conducting workshops on interpreting standardized test data
  - Facilitating school leadership's creation of a strong family engagement policy that welcomes and encourages partnerships with parents, families, businesses and community-based organizations

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