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Title I Parent and Family Engagement

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“At the end of the day, the most overwhelming key to a child’s success is the positive involvement of parents and caretakers.” –Jane D. Hull

What is Family Engagement?

Family Engagement means the participation of parents and family members in regular, two-way, and meaningful communication involving student academic learning and other school activities, including ensuring:

- (A) That parents play an integral role in assisting their child's learning.
- (B) That parents are encouraged to be actively involved in their child's education.
- (C) That parents are full partners in their child's education and are included, as appropriate, in decision-making and on advisory committees to assist in the education of their child.
- (D) The carrying out of other activities, such as those described in Section 1116 of the Every Student Succeeds Act (ESSA).

Why is it Important?

When families are involved, students:

- Earn higher grades
- Attend school more regularly
- Enjoy school more and behave better
- Are more likely to go on to postsecondary education or having successful careers

Requirements Under Title I, Part A

- Local Educational Agency Policy (LEA or District)
 - Written Policy
 - Build capacity of participating schools
 - Coordination of technical assistance
 - Jointly Developed
 - Distributed to parents and family members of participating children
- Parent and Family member input in how funds are allotted for this purpose
- School Level Policy
 - Shared Responsibilities for High Student Academic Achievement
 - School-parent compact
 - Building Capacity for Involvement

Requirements Under Title I, Part A, continued

- Annual Parent Meeting
 - Explains the requirements of parent and family engagement
- Parents Right to Know
 - Parents may request professional qualifications of classroom teachers
 - The LEA will provide information on student's level of achievement and academic growth on State Assessments

It Takes A Village

