

PARENTAL INVOLVEMENT

The Board of Education believes that positive parental involvement is essential to student achievement. The Board welcomes parent participation on school planning councils and building teams. Parental involvement may take place either in the classrooms or during extra-curricular activities. However, the Board also encourages parental involvement at home (e.g., planned home reading time, informal learning activities, and/or homework "contracts" between parents and children). The Board directs the Superintendent of Schools to develop a home-school communications program in an effort to encourage all forms of parental involvement.

To assure compliance with federal Chapter I guidelines, the Board further directs the administration to implement programs, activities and procedures to achieve parental involvement in planning, designing and implementing such programs. To this end, the district will send an annual newsletter informing parents of the reasons, objectives and methods of the program; provide training opportunities for parents to work with their children at home; convene an annual meeting for parents of participating students; and utilize such parents as volunteers or paid classroom aides. Parent notification correspondence will be provided in the language understood by the parents.

In addition, the Board directs the Superintendent to provide parents with handbooks, training, and at-home assistance; and to coordinate a home learning program.

Cross-ref: 1100, Public Information Program
4010, Equivalence in Instructional Staff and Materials
4325, Compensatory Education
4712, Student Progress Reports to Parents
6231, Chapter I/PSEN Programs and Services

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34 CFR 200.4; 200.34
8 NYCRR ' ' 100.3(b)(3); 100.4(f); 100.5(d)(4); 149.3(16)

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