

Parent Engagement Initiative



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Parents are informed about their child's educational needs through:

- parent education;
- training on academic activities using common core standards;
- resource-based service delivery programs;
- parent and community partnerships; and
- understanding data for strategic planning.

Vision and Goals

- Updated strategic plan and LOGIC Model.
- Eighteen districts expanded programs.
- 157 parent leaders completed basic training.
- Three conferences and 278 workshops served over 6,000 parents and community members.
- Evaluations reflect increased parenting skills and need for systemic implementation with 78% of 23 districts at emerging or comprehensive level of program implementation.
- Developed best practices forum and advanced parent leader trainings for 2012-2013.



Second Year Accomplishments



- Action plan development with certificated teachers, paraprofessionals, and parents.
- Building capacity of parent leaders with advanced training and paid stipends.
- Some categorical funding supports federal and state mandates for parent engagement.
- Educational Services Branch serves as the convener of best practices.



Network Expansion

- Program staff and stipends for parents.
- Interpreters and translators.
- Conference and workshop materials.
- Development of instructional classroom volunteer kits with academic materials for all grade levels.
- Family literacy backpacks with home enrichment academic kits.
- Evaluation analysis and documentation.

Growing Capacity Needs

Recommended reauthorization mandates:

- Parents are engaged in their child's education.
- Parents can expand their child's learning beyond the school day with academic enrichment activities at home.
- Parents can reinforce academic content standards while playing with their child.



Elementary and Secondary Act