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.
• 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.
• 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.
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