

# LODI UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT

## Policy 6020

### Instruction

#### Parent Involvement

The Board of Education recognizes that parents/guardians are their children's first and most influential teachers and that parental involvement in the education of children contributes greatly to student achievement and a positive school environment. The Superintendent or designee shall work with staff and parents to develop meaningful opportunities at all grade levels for parents/guardians to be involved in district and school activities; advisory, decision-making, and advocacy roles; and activities to support learning at home.

Parents/guardians shall be notified of their rights to be informed about and to participate in their children's education and of the opportunities available to them to do so.

The Superintendent or designee shall evaluate and report to the Board on the effectiveness of the district's parent involvement efforts, including, but not limited to, input from parents/guardians and school staff on the adequacy of parent involvement opportunities and barriers that may inhibit parent/guardian participation.

#### **Title I Schools**

Each year the Superintendent or designee shall identify specific objectives of the district's parent involvement program for schools that receive Title I funding. He/she shall ensure that parents/guardians are consulted and participate in the planning, design, implementation, and evaluation of the parent involvement program.

The Superintendent or designee shall ensure that the district's parent involvement strategies are jointly developed with and agreed upon by parents/guardians of students participating in Title I programs. Those strategies shall establish expectations for parent involvement and describe how the district will carry out each activity listed in 20 USC 6318.

The Superintendent or designee shall consult with parents/guardians of participating students in the planning and implementation of parent involvement programs, activities, and regulations. He/she also shall involve parents/guardians of participating students in decisions regarding how the district's Title I funds will be allotted for parent involvement activities.

The Superintendent or designee shall ensure that each school receiving Title I funds develop a school-level parent involvement policy in accordance with 20 USC 6318.

### **Non-Title I Schools**

The Superintendent or designee shall develop and implement strategies applicable to each school that does not receive federal Title I funds to encourage the involvement and support of parents/guardians in the education of their children, including, but not limited to, strategies describing how the district and schools will address the purposes and goals described in Education Code 11502.

Legal References:    EDUCATION CODE  
11500-11506 Programs to encourage involvement of parents  
48985 Notices in languages other than English  
51101 Parent rights and responsibilities  
64001 Single plan for student achievement  
LABOR CODE  
230.8 Time off to visit child's school  
UNITED STATES CODE, TITLE 20  
6311 Parental notice of teacher qualifications and student achievement  
6312 Local educational agency plan  
6314 Schoolwide programs  
6316 School improvement  
6318 Parent involvement  
CODE OF FEDERAL REGULATIONS, TITLE 28  
35.104 Definitions, auxiliary aids and services  
35.160 Communications  
CSBA PUBLICATIONS  
Parent Involvement: Development of Effective and Legally Compliant Policies, Governance and Policy Services Policy Briefs, August 2006  
STATE BOARD OF EDUCATION POLICIES  
89-01 Parent Involvement in the Education of Their Children, rev. 1994  
U.S. DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION NON-REGULATORY GUIDANCE  
Parent Involvement: Title I, Part A, April 23, 2004  
WEB SITES  
CSBA: <http://www.csba.org>  
California Department of Education, Family, School, Community Partnerships: <http://www.cde.ca.gov/ls/pf>  
California Parent Center: <http://parent.sdsu.edu>  
California State PTA: <http://www.capta.org>

National Coalition for Parent Involvement in Education:

<http://www.ncpie.org>

National PTA: <http://www.pta.org>

No Child Left Behind: <http://www.ed.gov/nclb>

Parent Information and Resource Centers: <http://www.pirc-info.net>

Parents as Teachers National Center:

<http://www.parentasteachers.org>

U.S. Department of Education: <http://www.ed.gov>

Board Policy

0420 - School Plans/Site Councils

1220 - Citizen Advisory Committees

1240 - Volunteer Assistance

1250 - Visits to the Schools

6154 - Homework/Make-Up Work

6171 - Chapter I Programs

Policy

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