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PARENT INVOLVEMENT POLICY

The Board of Education recognizes that a student's education is a responsibility shared by the school and family during the entire period the student spends in school. To support the goals of the school district to educate all students effectively, the schools and parents must work as knowledgeable partners.

The School district and schools, in collaboration with the parents, shall establish and develop programs and practices that enhance parent involvement and reflect the specific needs of students and families.

To this end, the Board will support the development, implementation and regular evaluation of a parent involvement program, which will involve parents at all grade levels in a variety of roles. The parent involvement program will be comprehensive and coordinated in nature and will include, but not be limited to, the following:

- 1. Support to parents as leaders and decision makers in advisory roles.
- 2. Promotion of clear two-way communication between the school and the family as to school programs and student's progress.
- 3. Assistance to parents and/or guardians to develop parenting skills to foster positive relationships at home that support student's efforts and provide techniques designed to assist their student with learning at home.
- 4. Involvement of parents, with appropriate training, in instructional and support roles at the school.
- 5. Provision of access to and coordination of community and support services for students and families.

These forms of involvement are not mutually exclusive and require a coordinated school-wide effort.

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