

Title I District Parent and Family Engagement Policy ESSA Guidelines

A Title I District Parent and Family Engagement Policy shall include the following components:

Part I – District Expectations

A school district's written parent and family engagement policy must establish the district's expectations for parental involvement.

Part II – District Parental Involvement Policy Required Components

The district parent and family engagement policy must describe **how** the district will incorporate the following eight components.

1. Involve parents in jointly developing the district parent and family engagement policy;
2. Establish objectives for meaningful parent and family engagement
3. Provide the coordination, technical assistance, and other support necessary to assist Title I schools in planning and implementing effective parental involvement activities to improve student academic achievement and school performance
4. Build the schools' and parents' capacity for strong parental involvement; develop strategies to support successful school and family interactions
5. Coordinate and integrate parent and family involvement strategies under Title I with parent and family engagement strategies to the extent feasible and appropriate, with other relevant Federal, State, and local laws and programs
6. Establish objectives for meaningful parent and family engagement
7. Conduct, with the meaningful involvement of parents and family members, an annual evaluation of the content and effectiveness of the parent and family engagement policy in improving the academic quality of all schools served under Title I:
 - Identifying barriers to greater participation by parents in activities, authorized by this section of law with particular attention to parents who are economically disadvantaged, are disabled, have limited English proficiency, have limited literacy, or are of any racial or ethnic minority background;
 - Using the findings of the evaluation to design evidence based strategies for more effective parental involvement; and
 - Revising, if necessary, the district's parental involvement program.
8. Involve parents in the activities of schools served under the Title I program

Part III – Discretionary District Parental Involvement Policy Components

The school district parent and family engagement policy can also include other discretionary components as identified by individual districts.

Part IV – Adoption of District Policy

Each school district must develop a District Level Parent and Family Engagement Policy. The district's Parent and Family Engagement Policy may be adopted by the local school board at the district's discretion. It must be distributed to all parents of students served in a program supported with Title I funds.