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# Parental Involvement

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# Creating Successful Family-School Partnerships

## What Leaders Can Do



# Overall Finding from the Research

**When families are involved  
at home and at school,  
children do better in school.**



# Parent Involvement Matters

No matter what their family income or background may be, students with involved parents are more likely to:

- Earn higher grades and test scores
- Pass their classes
- Attend school regularly
- Have better social skills
- Graduate and go on to postsecondary education



# National Standards for Family-School Partnerships – In Action



# Creating Successful Family-School Partnerships

## A Three-Step Process:

1-Create Awareness

2-Take Action

3- Celebrate Success



# What State Leaders Can Do

## 1 - Create Awareness

- Make increasing family engagement a platform for your term of office
- Work with education decision makers
- Appoint a family engagement chair committee



# What State Leaders Can Do

## 2 - Take Action

- Advocate for family involvement policy that integrates the National Standards
- Create learning opportunities
- Create Action Kit for local leaders



# What State Leaders Can Do

## 3 - Celebrate Success

- Visit schools
- Send thank you letters
- Encourage local units to apply for the Hearst Awards
- Create a place on your website for sharing stories and asking questions



# TOOLS, TOOLS, TOOLS

- National Standards Implementation Guide
- National Standards Assessment Guide
- PTA Report to the Community
- Hearst Family-School Partnership Awards
- Power Point presentations
- E-learning
- Great Idea Bank



# Next Steps

- Share your state's family engagement chair's contact information
- Take e-learning on Creating Successful Family-School Partnerships
- Establish/expand family engagement committee
- Participate in conference calls
- Commit to providing training to all new local leaders on the Family-School Partnerships process
- Reach out to national staff – we're here to help



# Q & A

## What's on your mind?



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