

## 7.10.040-P Parental and Family Involvement in Support of Academic Achievement

### I. Introduction.

- (1) It is the policy (7.10.010-P) of the Portland Public School Board of Education to encourage and support family and community involvement in education, at home, in our schools and communities, and through school/parent groups. The Board respects families as important decision-makers for their children's education.
- (2) The Board believes that parental engagement is critical to the success of each student. In the pursuit of this goal, the Board is committed to ensure that Portland Public Schools develop and implement practices and procedures that are broadly inclusive and that provide opportunities for all parents and families to become involved in their students' education regardless of economic, social or cultural circumstances.
- (3) The Board expects the District to establish a culture of best practices for parental and family involvement in support of academic achievement for all students.

### II. The Superintendent shall oversee the implementation of this policy.

- (1) The Superintendent shall develop administrative directives, make program changes, if necessary, and integrate staff and program resources to support the implementation of this policy, consistent with relevant federal, State and local programs and requirements.
- (2) Implementation of this policy shall be consistent with existing policies on citizen and parent group involvement.
- (3) Implementation of this policy shall include regular assessment of current practices; development, implementation and review of a District parental and family involvement plan; and coordination with relevant federal, state and local programs and requirements.
- (4) Parental and family participation will be solicited in the development of both the District and respective schools' parental and family involvement plans.
- (5) The Superintendent shall report to the Board of Education (via the appropriate standing committee) with a regular report of progress under the policy.
- (6) As required by Portland Public School Board policy (1.70.021-AD) the Superintendent shall make available public information related to the implementation of this policy.

Legal References: Sections 1112-to-1118 of the Elementary and Secondary Education Act (ESEA), and related NCLB mandates. History: Adopted 4/16/07