



WHAT'S NEW IN ESSA? QUICK FACTS: PARENT AND FAMILY ENGAGEMENT – BUILDING CAPACITY

DISTRICT RESPONSIBILITY

Each LEA will provide the coordination, technical assistance, and other support necessary to assist and build the capacity of all participating schools within the LEA ... to improve student academic achievement and school performance.

FORGING PARTNERSHIPS

The goal for building capacity eclipses programs; it is about establishing partnerships among the school, parents, and the community with the priority of improving student academic achievement.

MUST

The LEA and school **shall**:

- Provide assistance to parents in understanding such topics as the State academic standards, State and local academic assessments, and how to monitor a child's progress.
- Provide materials and training to help parents to work with their children
- Educate teachers and school staff in the value and utility of contributions of parents and how to work with parents as equal partners
- Coordinate and integrate parent involvement programs with other Federal, State, and local programs
- Ensure information about parent programs, meetings, and other activities is sent to parents in a format, and to the extent practicable, in a language the parents can understand
- Provide reasonable support for parental involvement activities

MAY

There are a number of other best practice strategies suggested within ESSA

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