

Community Relations

PARENT / FAMILY INVOLVEMENT

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The Fairfield Board of Education recognizes that the partnership between families and the school is crucial to the successful education of children attending the Fairfield Public Schools. This Family Involvement Policy has been written to convey to the parent or guardian of Fairfield's school children that their participation in their child's education is highly valued.

It is the Board's policy that families are welcome in the schools and encouraged to become involved in their child's education. To that end, the Board gives its full support to the following standards:

- Encouraging family participation in their child's education in school and at home.
- Promoting communication between school and home regarding the instructional program and student progress.
- Providing assistance to families in developing parenting skills, which benefit their child at home and increase achievement at school.
- Facilitating family participation in decision-making that affects children.
- Inviting families to participate in the education of children by assuming volunteer support roles at school.

The Board believes that a family's involvement in their child's education must be a high priority and recognizes the importance of staff leadership in setting expectations and creating a climate conducive to family participation. The Board of Education supports the development, implementation, and evaluation of opportunities for family involvement. The goal of increased family involvement and its related improvement in student achievement is a shared responsibility of families, school staff, the school system as a whole, and the community at large.

Legal Reference: Connecticut General Statutes 10-221 Boards of education to prescribe rules, policies, and procedures as amended by PA 97-290

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