

PTA's and PAC's – Working Collaboratively Together

Parent Teacher Associations and Parent Advisory Councils

PTA	PAC
Provides families and advocates with information on family engagement provisions within state education laws so that they can better advocate for their children's education on the school and district levels.	Schools that are receiving Title I funding must have an advisory committee or council (PAC) that represents parents of participating Title I children. The PAC works to ensure effective involvement of all parents of Title I participating children and to support the partnership between other school community stakeholders (school administration and staff, PTA's, community members, and School Leadership Team).
Promotes the welfare of children and youth in home, school, community, and places of worship. Works to raise the standards of home life, and to secure adequate laws for the care and protection of children and youth.	Involves parents of Title I participating students in an organized and timely manner with the development of the school's Title I parent involvement policy, program, and budget. In addition, parents should participate in the development and evaluation of their schools' Title I programs, including their budgets, and of their plans to support the needs of students with limited English proficiency and those with disabilities. This specifically includes, planning, review and implementation of Title I programs, joint development of the school parental involvement policy and the school-parent compact.
Serves as a powerful voice for all children, a relevant resource for families and communities, and a strong advocate for the education and well-being of every child.	Recruits parents of Title I participating students for involvement in professional development opportunities, meetings, conferences and other related activities designed to enhance the role of parents in supporting the education of their children and advancing their own educational needs.
Works to bring into closer relation the home and the school, so that parents and teachers may cooperate intelligently in the education of children and youth.	Provides information to parents of Title I participating students regarding Title I issues, and in consultation with other parents, brings questions, concerns, and ideas regarding Title I related issues to the attention of school staff, administration and other school community stakeholders.
Works to develop between educators and the general public such united efforts as will secure for all children and youth the highest advantages in physical, mental, social, and spiritual education.	Develops a spending plan in consultation with other parents of Title I participating students recommending how the school's minimum Title I 1% parent involvement allocation can be best utilized to support the needs of all Title I parents.