

This information can be accessed on the Federation of Families of SC website:
www.fedfamsc.org Services/Resources tab-(password- ffsfamilies)

The following information and links will provide you a quick reference to access some of the national best and promising research based practices. There is also information included in regard to the Parent Involvement in Positive Behavioral Interventions and Supports (PBIS) project piloted in Horry County School District, as well as tools that will help you with your family involvement plans and practices in non-PBIS schools as well as those following PBIS practices.

Best and Promising Practices in Parent/Family Involvement

Family Partnership-What are the Guidelines According to the Research? Standards identified by the National PTA build on six types of parent involvement identified by Dr. Joyce L. Epstein of the Center on School, Family, and Community Partnerships at Johns Hopkins University:

Positive Behavioral Interventions and Supports (PBIS) website: (Effective for non-PBIS schools as well)

- Parenting
- Communicating
- Volunteering
- Student Learning
- Shared Decision-Making
- Collaborating with Community

http://www.pbis.org/family/family_partnership.aspx

The Family Involvement Network of Educators; Harvard Family Research Project:

We are committed to meeting the growing demand for information on effective ways to support family involvement in children's learning and development.

<http://www.hfrp.org/publications-resources/browse-our-publications/family-involvement-in-the-education-of-secondary-school-age-students-with-disabilities>

A Three-tiered Approach to Family Engagement-

2010 LRP Publications, Vol. 3, Iss.2-2/10, Chapter 17

Answer Book on RTI-School-Family Engagement and RTI-Amy L. Reschly, Ph.D

"Families are a vital source of information about students. Educators should strive to have a range of family-, school-, and collaborative family-school interventions available to their school team, students and families. School teams must plan for and invite family engagement in all stages of the problem-solving process from assessment and intervention planning and implementation to evaluation and decision-making (Reschly et al, 2007).

<http://www.d300.org/files/Ch%2017%20Parent%20Involvement.pdf>

Three Tiers for Family Engagement

A project in practice in Cleveland Metropolitan School District- Tammy Stembridge, MSM and Trina W. Osher, M.A.

<http://fedfamsc.org/wp-content/uploads/2011/03/3-tiers-for-family-engagement-1.ppsx>

Family Involvement in PBIS-

Information:

New York State Family Support in Positive Behavioral Interventions and Supports (PBIS)

Building a strong, caring partnership takes time and effort. Many families want to help their child succeed but don't know how to approach the schools and vice versa. School staff are often afraid to ask for a parents help. The easiest way to promote better communication is to create an area of neutrality. This may be a place where all parties can feel comfortable to discuss what they feel or it can be someone that acts as a liaison between the school and the family, that both are comfortable with. This is why it is recommended that each PBIS team has at least one family representative.

Family involvement is a process. It requires time and effort by all parties involved and it must be realized that each party has their own visions and diversities. Only through cooperation can family involvement flourish.

<http://fifsinnyspbis.tripod.com/>

Parent Involvement in PBIS-Horry County School District- Pilot Project- Follow the link below to the Parent Involvement in Education newsletter. Page 2 article describes this project piloted in 2010 in Horry County:

http://fedfamsc.org/wp-content/uploads/2011/03/Newsletter-Parent_Involvement1.pdf

PBIS Toolkit:

Parent Involvement In PBIS Toolkit Overview- Parent Involvement in PBIS schools is a project that was piloted in the Horry County School District. This overview shares the products that were developed as part of this project to share with other schools to assist with parent involvement in PBIS.

http://fedfamsc.org/wp-content/uploads/2011/03/PBIS-ParentInvolvement_toolbox-overview-22.docx

PBIS-Parent Training-Power Point- Parent involvement and support is crucial in education, it is equally important to the child's success for parents to support PBIS. Before parents can support activities at school they have to understand what is needed of them. Many schools using PBIS have not provided comprehensive training for parents to explain PBIS. This power point presentation was developed and approved by partners participating in the Horry County School District, Parent Involvement in PBIS, project. Customize training to your own school.

This link will take you to the Federation website Parent Involvement in Education Toolkit page, select "Parent Training" link:

<http://fedfamsc.org/services/parent-involvement-for-educators/tool-kit/>

PBIS-Parent Involvement -Teacher Training- Power Point-This training was developed and approved by the partners in the Horry County School District, Parent Involvement in PBIS, project. This power point training was designed for teachers in the importance of involving parents in their child's education through PBIS.

This link will take you to the Federation website Parent Involvement in Education Toolkit page, select "Parent Involvement in Education for Teachers" training link:

<http://fedfamsc.org/services/parent-involvement-for-educators/tool-kit/>

PBIS-Parent Survey- Survey to be used in schools with PBIS to determine what parents feel about their level of knowledge and involvement.

<http://fedfamsc.org/wp-content/uploads/2011/03/PBIS-ParentSurvey-20101.docx>

PBIS-Staff Survey- A survey to be administered to school staff to determine how involved and knowledgeable parents are about PBIS.

<http://fedfamsc.org/wp-content/uploads/2011/03/PBIS-Staff-survey.docx>

PBIS-InterpretingSurvey-Results.docx – Information to help guide interpreting the results of the parent and staff surveys.

<http://fedfamsc.org/wp-content/uploads/2011/03/PBIS-InterpretingSurvey-Results.docx>

PBIS-Focus Group Procedures for Parents- Important instruction to facilitate a focus group of parents.

<http://fedfamsc.org/wp-content/uploads/2011/03/PBIS-Focus-Group-procedures-for-PARENTS.doc>

PBIS-Focus Group Procedures for Staff- Important instruction to facilitate a focus group of staff.

<http://fedfamsc.org/wp-content/uploads/2011/03/PBIS-Focus-Group-procedures-for-STAFF.doc>

PBIS-Examples from SC Schools of Parent Involvement in PBIS

<http://fedfamsc.org/wp-content/uploads/2011/03/PBIS-Examples-Parent-Involvement.docx>

Information Articles and Resources

March *FINE Newsletter*: Preparing Teachers for Family Engagement (Harvard Family Research Project)

Volume III, Issue 1, March 2011

<http://www.hfrp.org/family-involvement/fine-family-involvement-network-of-educators/fine-newsletter-archive/march-fine-newsletter-preparing-teachers-for-family-engagement>

NASA Family Involvement Handbook

http://www.nasa.gov/pdf/206445main_NES_Family_Handbook_Part_1.pdf

Parent, Family, Community Involvement in Education

http://www.nea.org/assets/docs/PB11_ParentInvolvement08.pdf

Critical Issue: Supporting Ways Parents and Families Can Become Involved in Schools

<http://www.ncrel.org/sdrs/areas/issues/envrnmnt/famncomm/pa100.htm>

Family Involvement in Children's Education, Successful Local Approaches

An Idea Book

<http://www2.ed.gov/pubs/FamInvolve/index.html>

Family Involvement in Education: How Important Is It?

http://www.familyimpactseminars.org/fia_brchapter_20c02.pdf

Schools, Families, and Response to Intervention

<http://www.rtinetwork.org/essential/family/schools-families-and-rti>

National Family, School, and Community Engagement Working Group

<http://www.ncpie.org/docs/FSCWkgGroupPolicyRecs.pdf>

Parent Involvement or Parent Engagement?

<http://www.learningfirst.org/LarryFerlazzoParentEngagement>

Parent Involvement in Education- Newsletter- Federation of Families of SC

http://fedfamsc.org/wp-content/uploads/2011/03/Newsletter-Parent_Involvement1.pdf

Toolkit:

For All Schools:

The HEART Tool Kit is a resource to help South Carolina educators as they assist students and families in dealing with today's economic challenges. Life's adversities can play a significant part in a student's behavior and classroom achievement. The Tool Kit is designed for: **H**elping, **E**ducators, **A**ccess, **R**esources, **T**ogether
<http://sic.sc.gov/parentinvolvement/linkstoparentinvolvementwebsites.htm>

Parent and Family Involvement: A Guide to Effective Parent, Family, and Community Involvement in North Carolina Schools
<http://www.ncpublicschools.org/docs/parents/toolkit/guide.pdf>

Improving Student Achievement and Outcomes Through Parent and Family Involvement- Toolkit for Virginia Schools
[http://www.vcu.edu/partnership/cfi/downloadables/PPD.Toolkit.book\(8.5x11\)PRESS.pdf](http://www.vcu.edu/partnership/cfi/downloadables/PPD.Toolkit.book(8.5x11)PRESS.pdf)

Parent Engagement Information and Tools-*Moving Beyond Parent Involvement to Parent Engagement*, Michigan Department of Education
http://www.michigan.gov/documents/Parent_Involvement_Part_1_12-16-04_111426_7.pdf

Contact the Federation of Families of South Carolina if you need additional information or technical assistance with your family involvement planning or training:

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