

HANDOUT: Definition of Parent Involvement in the No Child Left Behind Act

Based on National PTA's National Standards for Parent/Family Involvement Programs

For the first time, parent involvement has a legal definition. It is defined as the “participation of parents in regular, two-way, and meaningful communication involving student academic learning and other school activities, including/ ensuring that

- Parents play an integral role in assisting their child’s learning;
- Parents are encouraged to be actively involved in their child’s education at school;
- Parents are full partners in their child’s education and are included, as appropriate, in decision making and on advisory committees to assist in the education of their child....”

Source: No Child Left Behind, Title IX