

A bill for an act
relating to education; directing local school boards to adopt and implement
a parent and family involvement policy; proposing coding for new law in
Minnesota Statutes, chapter 124D.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF MINNESOTA:

Section 1. **[124D.8955] PARENT AND FAMILY INVOLVEMENT POLICY.**

(a) In order to promote and support student achievement, a local school board must
formally adopt and implement a parent and family involvement policy that promotes
and supports:

(1) communication between home and school that is regular, two-way, and
meaningful;

(2) parenting skills;

(3) parents and caregivers who play an integral role in assisting student learning and
learn about fostering students' academic success and learning at home and school;

(4) welcoming parents in the school, and seeking their support and assistance;

(5) partnerships with parents in the decisions that affect children and families
in the schools; and

(6) providing community resources to strengthen schools, families, and student
learning.

(b) The school board must convene an advisory committee composed of an equal
number of resident parents who are not district employees and school staff to make
recommendations to the board on developing and evaluating the board's parent and family
involvement policy. The advisory committee must represent the diversity of the district.
The advisory committee must consider the district's demographic diversity and barriers to

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2.1 parent involvement when developing its recommendations. The advisory committee must
2.2 present its recommendations to the board for board consideration.

2.3 (c) The board must consider best practices when implementing this policy.

2.4 (d) The board periodically must review this policy to determine whether it is aligned
2.5 with the most current research findings on parent involvement policies and practices and
2.6 how effective the policy is in supporting increased student achievement.

2.7 **EFFECTIVE DATE.** This section is effective for the 2007-2008 school year and
2.8 later.