SUN AREA TECHNICAL INSTITUTE

SECTION: COMMUNITY

TITLE: PARENT/FAMILY INVOLVEMENT

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	917. PARENT/FAMILY INVOLVEMENT
1. Purpose	The center is committed to the belief that all students can learn and acknowledges that the center and parents share a commitment to the educational success of children.
2. Definition	Parent and family involvement shall be defined as an ongoing process that assists parents and families to meet their basic obligation as a child's first educator, promotes clear two-way dialogue between home and school, and supports parents as leaders and decision-makers concerning the education of their children at all levels.
3. Authority	The Joint Operating Committee recognizes that the responsibility for each student's education is shared by the center and the family and acknowledges that schools and families must work as knowledgeable, cooperative partners to effectively educate students.
	To this end, the Joint Operating Committee shall support the development, implementation, and continuing evaluation of a parent and family involvement program that will involve parents in a variety of roles.
4. Guidelines	The parent and family involvement program shall be comprehensive in nature and may include the following:
	1. Support for parents as leaders and decision-makers, in addition to serving in advisory roles.
	2. Promotion of clear two-way communication between the center and the family about center programs and student progress.
	3. Assistance to parents and families in developing parenting skills to foster positive relationships at home, to support children's educational efforts, and to assist their children with learning at home.
	4. Involvement of parents, with appropriate training, in instructional and support roles at the center.