

NATIONAL STANDARDS FOR FAMILY-SCHOOL PARTNERSHIPS: AN IMPLEMENTATION GUIDE BY THE NATIONAL PTA.

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Standard 1: Welcoming all families into the school community

Reviews the importance of families feeling welcomed and valued within their school community. This includes families feeling connected to what their students are learning.

Standard 2: Communicating effectively

The importance of two-way communication between families and schools about their child's education.

Standard 3: Supporting student success

Recognition of the significance of ways families and schools can collaborate to encourage learning and overall development both at home and in school.

Standard 4: Speaking up for every child

Ensuring that all families can advocate for the needs of their child, as well as the needs of others. This standard reviews the importance of family empowerment, in addition to equity and access to opportunities for all students.

Standard 5: Sharing power

Evaluating the partnership roles families and school staff play to guide decisions that impact the child.

Standard 6: Collaborating with community

Expanding into the community to bring expanded learning opportunities to students and families.

The National PTA. (2009). "National Standards for Family-School Partnerships: An Implementation Guide." PDF. <https://s3.amazonaws.com/rdcms-pta/files/production/public/National_Standards_Implementation_Guide_2009.pdf>



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