

**New Orleans Public Schools**

**Five-Year Strategic Plan for Reform**

**1999-2000 through 2003-2004**

**Department/Area: Parent and Community Involvement**

**Name of Initiative/Plan: Parent Training**

**Goal #1: To develop a District-wide plan to support parents in better understanding their roles in educating their children and to assist parents in acquiring appropriate parenting skills (Aligned with Goals 2000/USDE, LEARN/SDE, and DIR/NOPS)**

**Current Team Leader: Dr. Linda Stelly and Dr. James Lloyd**

STRATEGIES	START DATE	COMPLETION DATE	PERSONNEL RESPONSIBLE	OUTCOMES
1. Parents must be actively involved in their children's schools. Parents are accountable to ensure that their children come to school ready to learn. Parents should visit school regularly, provide a place for their children to do homework and become partners with their children's schools.	September, 1999	February, 2004	Parents	Increased parental involvement in schools
2. Review and revise the current parental involvement Policy (1210) to enhance and strengthen parental involvement in all areas of the school system.	September, 1999	February, 2000	CEO Designated NOPS Personnel Parent Groups	Written, revised policy which strengthens the opportunity for parental involvement throughout the District
<p>3. Establish a committee to develop a plan to make schools the center of community life, which will include such areas as:</p> <p>-Developing and conducting meaningful parenting workshops and activities for parents and District personnel that promote parent/community involvement;</p> <p>-Assisting families to access appropriate in-school and community services, and;</p> <p>-Selecting and hiring a District-wide parent coordinator and individual parent coordinators in each school to ensure compliance with Policy 1210.</p>	<p>September, 1999</p> <p>"</p> <p>"</p> <p>February, 2000</p>	<p>February, 2000</p> <p>"</p> <p>"</p> <p>July, 2000</p>	<p>Designated NOPS Personnel and Parent/community leaders</p> <p>"</p> <p>Designated NOPS personnel Parent groups and other appropriate social service agencies</p> <p>CEO Designated NOPS personnel Parent groups</p>	<p>A written plan</p> <p>Parenting skills are promoted and supported Principals, school support personnel and other parents are trained in issues regarding culture and child-rearing that impact student achievement</p> <p>Improved access to social service providers to work with families and students</p> <p>Full implementation of the District plan and regular monitoring of the implementation of Policy 1210</p>

**New Orleans Public Schools  
Five-Year Strategic Plan for Reform  
1999-2000 through 2003-2004**

**Department/Area: Parent and Community Involvement**

**Name of Initiative/Plan: Communication**

**Goal #2: To establish effective communication between and among families, schools, District and community that is two-way and meaningful  
(Aligned with Goals 2000/USDE, LEARN/SDE, and DIR/NOPS)**

**Current Team Leader: Dr. Linda Stelly and Dr. James Lloyd**

STRATEGIES	START DATE	COMPLETION DATE	PERSONNEL RESPONSIBLE	OUTCOMES
1. Develop a single unit for parental involvement as part of District-wide restructuring.	April, 1999	September, 1999	CEO	Parental involvement activities consolidated into one unit to enhance opportunities for parent participation
<p>2. Create a committee inclusive of parents and community, District and school-site personnel to develop a plan that effectively establishes two-way communication, that will include such areas as:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>-The development of a variety of appropriate communication tools to effectively address all populations served by NOPS;</li>   <li>-Universal implementation and enforcement of Policy 1210 of the NOPS' Parental Involvement Plan;</li>   <li>-Public dissemination of Policy 1210 to all populations, and;</li>   <li>-Identification of adequate resources to ensure implementation of the plan.</li> </ul>	<p>July, 1999</p> <p style="text-align: center;">"</p> <p style="text-align: center;">"</p> <p style="text-align: center;">"</p>	<p>February, 2000</p> <p style="text-align: center;">"</p> <p style="text-align: center;">"</p> <p style="text-align: center;">"</p>	<p>Designated NOPS personnel Parent/community leaders (GNOEF)</p> <p style="text-align: center;">"</p> <p style="text-align: center;">"</p> <p style="text-align: center;">"</p>	<p>Improved communication between families, school, District and community</p> <p>Communication with parents will be on-going and diverse. Information will be sent to parents in the language of the families the school serves. Parents will be informed about major school policies at the District and state levels and of events that directly or indirectly affect the schools and the District</p> <p>Parents and communities are welcome in the school and their support and assistance is sought</p> <p>Dissemination of Policy 1210 to appropriate populations Informed population regarding Policy 1210 Timely and effective implementation of communication plan</p>

**New Orleans Public Schools  
Five-Year Strategic Plan for Reform  
1999-2004**

**Department/Area: Parent and Community Involvement**

**Name of Initiative/Plan: Collaborating with Community**

**Goal #3: To develop a District-wide plan to effectively collaborate with community (*Aligned with Goals 2000/USDE, LEARN/SDE, and DIR/NOPS*)**

**Current Team Leader: Dr. Linda Stelly and Dr. James Lloyd**

STRATEGIES	START DATE	COMPLETION DATE	PERSONNEL RESPONSIBLE	OUTCOMES
1. Reactivate the Office of School Volunteer Services to coordinate family and community involvement.	September, 1999	February, 2000	CEO Designated NOPS personnel Parent/Community leaders	Reinstitution of the School Volunteer Services Office and increased community and family involvement
2. Develop and implement a Community Partnership Plan.	February, 1999	On-going through 2004	CEO Designated NOPS personnel Parent/Community leaders	An effective community partnership plan and increased collaboration with established parent organizations