

PDG B-5 PARENT ENGAGEMENT RESOURCE LIST

Overall Grant Purpose: The PDG B-5 grants will support states/territories in their efforts to analyze the current landscape of their early childhood care and education (ECCE) mixed delivery system and implement changes to the system that maximize the availability of high-quality early childhood care and education options for low-income and disadvantaged families across providers and partners, improve the quality of care, streamline administrative infrastructure, and improve state/territory-level early childhood care and education funding efficiencies.

Maximizing Parental Choice and Knowledge Grant Requirement: Maximize parental choice and knowledge about the state’s mixed delivery system of existing programs and providers by ensuring that parents are provided information about the variety of ECCE programs for children from birth to kindergarten entry in the state's mixed delivery system, and promoting and increasing involvement by parents and family members, including families of low-income and disadvantaged children, in the development of their children and the transition of those children from an ECCE program into an elementary school.

The following list provides support to grantee’s activities and strategies to maximize parental choice and knowledge outline in the PDG B-5 grant FOA.

Table 1. Resource List

Resource Title	Description	Website Link
Arizona First Things First: Parent Kit	A toolkit designed to help new parents support the healthy development of their infants, toddlers, and preschoolers. The virtual resource provides information on child development, health and safety, how to choose high-quality child care, family well-being, and school readiness.	https://www.firstthingsfirst.org/resources/parent-kit/
BUILD: Family Engagement Toolkit	A toolkit for key stakeholders that provides resources to engage families and family-school partnerships throughout the early elementary years.	http://www.buildinitiative.org/Resources/FamilyEngagementToolkit.aspx
Center for Parent Information Resources: Parent Engagement	A link to a two-part webinar. Part One is on Trauma Informed Care and Part Two is on Advocacy in Action Guide to Local Special Education Parent Advisory Councils – an online roadmap brings stakeholders together, suggests strategies to help engage and offers tips and tools to help groups work together to benefit the local community.	https://www.parentcenterhub.org/webinar-trauma-care-sepac-guide/
Center for the Study of Social Policy: Strengthening Families	A framework that is a research-informed approach to increase family strengths, enhance child development, and reduce the	https://cssp.org/our-work/project/strengthening-families/

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	likelihood of child abuse and neglect.	
Connecticut's State Website: School-Family-Community Partnership How To	A group of How To resources on school, family, and community partnerships from the state of Connecticut.	https://portal.ct.gov/SDE/SFCP/School-Family-Community-Partnerships
CONNECT Modules	A series of modules designed for faculty and professional development providers to use for interventions, transitions, collaboration, and partnerships with families.	https://www.connectmodules.dec-sped.org/
Culture Counts: Engaging Black and Latino Parents of Young Children in Family Support Programs	A brief that provides an overview of family support programs and aims to identify the features and strategies that may be most effective for reaching and engaging black and Latino families, with the ultimate goal of supporting young children's development.	https://www.childtrends.org/wp-content/uploads/2014/10/2014-44BCultureCountsFullReport1.pdf
Engaging Fathers	A variety of resources to learn ways to enhance father engagement in your program.	https://eclkc.ohs.acf.hhs.gov/family-engagement/article/engaging-fathers
Engaging Parents, Developing Leaders	A publication introducing an assessment and planning tool to help programs evaluate family engagement efforts and chart a path toward deeper partnerships with parents and caregivers. The tool spans eight pages, with accompanying text outlining how to use it, how to assess results and what real-world strategies and programs are already in play —and working — to boost family engagement.	https://www.aecf.org/resources/engaging-parents-developing-leaders/
Family Engagement in Early Care and Education Learning Series	A series of modules about engaging families in early childhood settings.	https://eclkc.ohs.acf.hhs.gov/family-engagement/article/family-engagement-early-care-education-learning-series
Head Start Parent, Family, and Community Engagement (PFCE) Interactive Framework	The PFCE Framework is a road map tool that can be used for strategic planning, program design, and management, continuous learning and improvement activities. This framework could also be used as a professional development tool.	https://eclkc.ohs.acf.hhs.gov/school-readiness/article/pfce-interactive-framework
Learning in Partnership: Using Data and Reflective Practice in Programs	A video series about best practices in family and community engagement. Examples from Family, Infant, and Preschool Program (FIPP) in North Carolina.	https://eclkc.ohs.acf.hhs.gov/video/learning-partnership-using-data-reflective-practice-programs

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Michigan Department of Education: Collaborating for Success – Parent Engagement Toolkit	A comprehensive research-based toolkit that includes pertinent and practical information, proven strategies, and tools to assist in enhancing parent engagement efforts and/or providing a simple yet powerful guide to jump start programs.	https://www.michigan.gov/mde/0,4615,7-140-81376_51051-262889--,00.html
National Center for Family/Professional Partnerships: Family Voices	A website designed to provide resources to families and friends of children and youth with special health needs and disabilities.	http://familyvoices.org/
Parent, Family, and Community Engagement Simulation: Boosting School Readiness through Effective Family Engagement Series	A series of simulations that explore everyday strategies to develop positive goal-oriented relationships with families.	https://eclkc.ohs.acf.hhs.gov/family-engagement/article/parent-family-community-engagement-simulation-boosting-school-readiness
ParentCamp Tool Kit	A toolkit on how to plan and conduct a ParentCamp, an “un-conference” setting to have conversations about how to best support students.	https://www.ed.gov/family-and-community-engagement/parentcamp-tool-kit#about
Supporting Parent Engagement in Linguistically Diverse Families to Promote Young Children’s Learning: Implications for Early Care and Education Policy	A brief which highlights research that can inform policies to expand the capacity of early care and education programs to promote the engagement of linguistically diverse families with young children.	https://www.researchconnections.org/childcare/resources/30185/pdf
The Early Childhood Family Engagement Framework Toolkit: Maryland’s Vision for Engaging Families with Young Children	This toolkit was designed to support early care and education providers as they implement the framework’s goals and strategies.	https://marylandfamiliesengage.org/family-engagement-toolkit/#1523159662577-26a89b3a-c947
The National Center on Parent, Family and Community Engagement (NCPFCE)	NCPFCE provides a variety of technical assistance resources to support family well-being, effective family and community engagement, and children’s school readiness.	https://childcareta.acf.hhs.gov/centers/national-center-parent-family-and-community-engagement
Toolkit of Resources for Engaging Families and the Community as Partners in Education	A four-part resource toolkit for engaging families and the community from the U.S. Department of Education.	https://ies.ed.gov/ncee/edlabs/projects/project.asp?projectId=4509
U.S. Department of Education’s Office of Elementary and Secondary Education: Handbook on Family and Community Engagement	A handbook designed to provide educators, community leaders, and parents with a succinct survey of the best research and practice accumulated over the years. It is offered as a skeleton on which the body of good work in the field can be built.	http://www.schoolcommunitynetwork.org/downloads/FACEHandbook.pdf

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U.S. Department of Health and Human Services – U.S. Department of Education: Policy Statement on Family Engagement from the early Years to the Early Grades	A policy statement from the U.S. Departments of Health and Human Services (HHS) and Education (ED) provides recommendations to early childhood systems and programs on family engagement.	https://www2.ed.gov/about/inits/ed/earlylearning/files/policy-statement-on-family-engagement.pdf
Understanding Family Engagement Outcomes: Research to Practice Series	A series that addresses selected research, proven interventions and promising practices, and strategies around family engagement.	https://eclkc.ohs.acf.hhs.gov/family-engagement/article/understanding-family-engagement-outcomes-research-practice-series
Using Social Media to Engage Families	A resource designed to help programs use social media to support family engagement.	https://eclkc.ohs.acf.hhs.gov/sites/default/files/pdf/using-social-media-engage-families-OHS-508-final.pdf