



**COUNTY OF SAN BERNARDINO
PRESCHOOL SERVICES DEPARTMENT
POLICY**

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SUBJECT: PARENTS AS EDUCATORS

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PURPOSE:

To involve parents in the development and implementation of the program curriculum.

POLICY:

Grantee and delegate agencies must provide opportunities to include parents in the development of the program's curriculum and approach to child development and education.

REFERENCE:

Head Start Performance Standards Performance Standards 1304.40 (E) (1)

PROCEDURE:

1. Parents will be given the opportunity to participate in Child Development training held at the Family Learning Centers. Site Supervisors and Generalists will inform parents about trainings by posting Family Learning Calendars on Parent Boards, sending out flyers in the parent's primary language and contacting parents by phone or in person.
2. During the organizational meeting and on an ongoing basis (as space is available), all support staff will invite parents to become active members on the Education sub-committee for the policy council.
3. All staff and parents will work together to ensure all family cultures are respected and shared in the classroom and curriculum by:
 - a. Providing materials in the parent's primary language.
 - b. Inviting parents to share their culture in the classroom (foods, books, music, etc.)