



“Families and Schools – Perfect Partners for Student Success”

Governor Terrance R. McAuliffe, Superintendent of Public Instruction, Steven R. Staples and the Virginia Department of Education recognize **November 2016 as Family Involvement Month** in the Commonwealth of Virginia.

The importance of parental involvement in schools is well documented. Over 30 years of research shows that one of the most effective ways to increase student achievement is for parents to be actively involved in the education of their children.

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The Virginia Department of Education is committed to improving parent and family involvement for all students including students with disabilities. We believe that families and schools are perfect partners for student success.

Check out the following links for resources:

[Virginia Family Special Education Connection](#)

[Guidance for Military Families with Students in Special Education](#)

[Title I - Parent Involvement](#)

[Parent and Family Tool Kit for Virginia Schools](#)

[Tips and Strategies for Increasing Parent and Family Involvement in Virginia Schools](#)

[US Department of Education: Family and Community Engagement Center for Family Involvement](#)

[Parent Education Advocacy Training Center \(PEATC\) and the PEATC Family Involvement Calendar](#)

[Virginia PTA](#)

[National Standards, Goals, and Indicators for Family School Partnerships](#)

[Department of Defense: Special Needs Parent Tool Kit - Birth to 18 Successful Innovations](#)