



Parental Involvement and Family Engagement (PIFE) Newsletter

June 2026

Advisory Council for Family Engagement Updates

- The council last met on March 24, 2026.
- Information was provided from NDE’s Office for a Safe and Respectful Learning Environment (OSRLE) on chronic absenteeism initiatives throughout the state.
- Additional presentations were provided by Clark and Lyon County School Districts on PIFE initiatives in their locations.
- The upcoming council meeting will review an Ohio State University study. This research examines how approved PIFE courses impact educators' confidence in building local family engagement practices.
- Washoe County School District will present their best practices in the next meeting.

PIFE Office Updates

- The Family Engagement Guide is being updated to include initiatives from NDE’s 2030 Statewide Plan for the Improvement of Pupils (STIP).
- NDE representatives and AFFCE council members have recently attended the National Community Schools and Family Engagement Conference. NDE will also attend the National Association for Family, School, and Community Engagement Conference in October 2026.
- The PIFE office is collaborating with OSRLE to achieve goals regarding chronic absenteeism and improving school health services for families.
- The PIFE Office is also supporting the Office of Student Support Services (OSSS) in updating the Title I, Part A Guidance Guide for LEAs.
- The PIFE Office Annual Report will be posted on the PIFE webpage by August 1st.

Upcoming Events

Event Name	Date	Location	Audience
Kickoff to Kinder	August 22	East Las Vegas Library Las Vegas, NV	Families with children starting Pre-K or Kinder
National Assembly for Family, School and Community Engagement (NAFSCE)	October 28-30	San Diego, CA	Educators, Families, Policy Professionals, PIFE leaders, Community Members

Future PIFE Office Meeting Dates

NDE will be hosting the next PIFE Office Hours meeting on Tuesday, September 22 at 10am. We look forward to sharing insights with our PIFE Liaisons.

Tools and Resources

- [Family Engagement Lab](#)-Equip schools and families with effective strategies to cultivate the skills, mindsets, and habits that drive long-term academic success in literacy and math.
- [University of Family Learning](#)-Offers parents and adult family members opportunities to support both student and family success.
- [Attendance Works](#)-Resources for reducing chronic absenteeism amongst schools and communities.

Webinars and Courses

- [Supporting Military-Connected Students \(NDE\)](#)
Learn about providing supports for military-connected families as codified in Nevada Law.
- [HarvardX: Introduction to Family Engagement in Education](#)
This course outlines the connection between family engagement and student success.

Articles

- [A Multi-Tiered Approach to Family Engagement](#)-Article outlining a multi-tier model, proven successful for academics and behavior in schools.
- [Transitions to Kindergarten](#)-Article offering suggestions to help teachers and families support students moving from pre-k to kindergarten.
- [Helping Parents Communicate Better with Schools](#)-Article sharing good communication strategies that create positive feeling between teachers and parents.

Grant and Event Information

- [National PTA Grant & Award Opportunities](#)-Offers awards and grants to honor or support PTAs as they engage families, support student success, improve health and safety of students and families.
- [2027 National Community Schools and Family Engagement Conference](#)-Engage in learning and networking opportunities designed to increase their knowledge of family engagement, community schools and other whole-child strategies.



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