

# Meeting Minutes

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July 28, 2014

## ❖ Fatherhood Event

- Trying to get a positive male role model
  - Does not need to be the father, just a positive influence
- **Engaging Dads:** We constantly reach out to moms
  - DOE and Department of Family Services will work together
  - When dads are involved, children receive better grades and have a better self esteem.
- **Promotion: “Dad Take Your Child to School Day”**
  - September 16<sup>th</sup>
  - The school can make it as formal or informal as they want
    - One example was “Dads and Donuts.” Dads dropped their kids off and mingled with other dads while the school provided donuts and coffee
- ***What if moms don’t want the dads involved?***
  - Any positive male role model will do
    - Grandpa, uncle, etc.

## ❖ QRIS Standards

- For family engagement we need to cover all types of families
  - Not too involved → sophisticated parents

## ❖ Definitions

(OLD) Family and community engagement is defined as parents, families and communities working in partnership for the purpose of: (1) building strong relationships to ensure access to resources and services that promote family well-being; (2) foster school success [both at home and school]; and (3) encourage ongoing learning of families, caregivers and children.

- 2) “Foster educational success at home and at school.”
- 3) “Encourage lifelong learning opportunities with families, caregivers, and children.”

(NEW) Family and community engagement is defined as parents, families and communities working in partnership for the purpose of: (1) building strong relationships to ensure access to resources and services that promote family well-being; (2) foster **educational success** at home and at school (3) encourage **lifelong learning opportunities with** families, caregivers, and children.

## ❖ RTT Translations



- There will be 5 language versions of the Family Engagement Standards