



CDE Family, School, and Community Partnering (FSCP) Support Network Bulletin August, 2012

This is the first edition of a communication to the Colorado Department of Education's Family, School, and Community Partnering Support Network. You are receiving this if you have participated in a training opportunity on family partnering during the past year (online course or face-to-face training) and expressed an interest in receiving updated information on resources, trainings, and related initiatives OR are a member of either Cohort 1 or 2 of the MTSS mini-grant sites.

First, thank you for your interest in family, school, and community partnering. CDE is committed to providing ongoing support to educators, families, and community resources in working together to support student achievement. The goal is continuous improvement in partnering practices throughout Colorado.

Second, the goal of this network communication is that there be an ongoing interactive exchange of information, ideas, stories, and questions/answers in the field, as well as the sharing of current research findings and application. All input is welcome.

Updated supporting resources for the 2012-2013 school year include the following, with links providing more specific information:

- *Multi-Tiered Family, School, and Community Partnering*, an online course, will be offered from October 8 – November 18; more information and registration is at <http://www.cde.state.co.us/Rtl/ProfDevelopmentRtl.htm>
- 2012 Stakeholder Training Materials, with presentation notes and activities, are posted at <http://www.cde.state.co.us/Rtl/Family.htm>
- Updated websites and articles related to multi-tiered family, school, and community partnering have been posted at <http://www.cde.state.co.us/Rtl/Family.htm>
- *Rtl Family & Community Partnering: "On the Team and At the Table: Toolkit*, with adaptable tiered resources, is available at <http://www.cde.state.co.us/rti/FamilyCommunityToolkit.htm>
- *Rtl Updates*, with the most recent edition featuring information on partnering, are posted at http://www.cde.state.co.us/rti/downloads/PDF/UpdateRtl_Volume01_Issue02.pdf
- A short article was sent to all training participants last year; many attendees reported that it was helpful to share with school communities and so the link is provided again here: *Family Engagement as a Systemic, Sustained and Integrated Strategy to Promote Student Achievement*, Harvard Family Research Project (April, 2010) at <http://www.hfrp.org/publications-resources/browse-our-publications/family-engagement-as-a-systemic-sustained-and-integrated-strategy-to-promote-student-achievement>

Finally, please send your comments, ideas, questions, or stories to Cindy Dascher at dascher_c@cde.state.co.us. If you would prefer to be removed from this network, please notify Kristy Reed at reed_K@cde.state.co.us.

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