

# Family Involvement Toolkit

## Colorado Springs School District 11

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## FAMILY INVOLVEMENT TOOLKIT

Colorado Springs School District 11 created the Family Involvement Toolkit to satisfy the need to help schools identify their strengths and weaknesses around family involvement. The Toolkit was created in 2012, with resources aligned to the National Standards for Family-School Partnerships.

Each year, goals are designed to help schools develop a more comprehensive understanding about ways to successfully partner with families in their children's education. Colorado Springs School District 11 works with schools on each year's goal, although schools may choose to focus on goals other than the one chosen by the district.

The Family Involvement Toolkit is in a constant state of development, in order to stay current with family partnership

research and practices. It provides D11 schools with a common understanding of what successful family partnerships entail. D11 district staff state that the Toolkit encourages schools to work together to build relationships and strengthen community and family engagement across the district.

## FIT COACHES

Each school within Colorado Springs School District 11 has a FIT (Family Involvement Toolkit) volunteer coach who oversees working with the school's Parent Teacher Organization (PTO) and School Accountability Committee (SAC). FIT, PTO, and SAC members each have designated responsibilities, but also intersecting work, as illustrated in the diagram above.

