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**Massachusetts Statewide
Family Engagement
Center (MASFEC)**

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MASFEC Purpose

Massachusetts Statewide Family Engagement Center (MASFEC) is a new initiative to promote family engagement in children's educational experience and to build family, schools, and community organizations capacity to support student success.

MASFEC programs and activities support families, districts, schools, and community organizations working to build meaningful partnerships resulting in improved student learning and success.

MASFEC Partners

Federation for Children with Special Needs (FCSN)

Department of Elementary and Secondary Education (DESE)

National Association for Family, School, and Community Engagement (NAFSCE)

Collaborative Parent Leadership Action Network (CPLAN)

Parent Institute for Quality Education (PIQE)

English for New Bostonians (ENB)

WestED



Goals and Objectives

Goal 1: Building State Capacity, Systems and Infrastructure for Family Engagement

- **Objective 1.1:** Provide research-based technical assistance to DESE, SFEC Consortium partners and Advisory Council to implement statewide FE policy and systemic initiatives aligned to the Massachusetts' research-based prenatal-to-grade 12 family engagement framework.

- **Objective 1.2:** Collaborate with statewide community partners to coordinate outreach, information dissemination, training activities, and other supports to build family engagement in children's educational programs.

- **Objective 1.3:** Conduct a needs assessment with family engagement practitioners, including SEAs, LEAs, and CBOs to determine resource development, training and family engagement supports for practitioners.



Goal 2: Building the Capacity of Families to Support Student Achievement

- **Objective 2.1:** Collaborate with DESE and other project partners in the creation and dissemination of resources for families about ESSA provisions related to opportunities for school improvement and Public School Choice.
- **Objective 2.2:** Conduct outreach and public awareness activities to Massachusetts' communities with populations identified as economically and educationally disadvantaged.
- **Objective 2.3:** Increase the knowledge, skills and competencies of parents to engage in reciprocal communication between families, schools, and teachers.



Goal 3: Building the Family Engagement Capacity of Local Educational Agencies (LEAs), including school and district administrators and educators, and Community-Based Organizations (CBOs):

- **Objective 3.1:** Provide technical assistance to targeted districts and schools in planning and implementing effective family engagement activities, as outlined under ESSA.
- **Objective 3.2:** Increase the knowledge, skills, and competencies of educational professionals to enable them to strengthen family involvement through a method of reciprocal communication between families and their children's educational programs.
- **Objective 3.3:** Increase the knowledge, skills, and competencies of family members and educators through professional development focused on improving literacy skills including thinking, listening, speaking, reading, and writing
- **Objective 3.4 :** Serve as a statewide resource on family engagement and ESSA parental provisions regarding the development and implementation of parental engagement policies and practices at district and school levels.



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Thank you!

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