Neshannock Memorial Elementary School
Building Policy for Title I, Part A

Purpose	The Board recognizes that parent involvement contributes to the achievement of academic standards by students participating in Title I programs. The Board views the education of students as a cooperative effort among the school, parents, and community.
Part I General Expectations	**Parental Involvement Policy** In support of strengthening student academic achievement, Neshannock Memorial Elementary School receives Title I, Part A funds. Neshannock Memorial is developing jointly with parents of participating children a written parental involvement policy that contains information required by Section 1118(a)(2) of the Elementary and Secondary Education Act (ESEA). This policy establishes the LEA's expectations for parental involvement and describes how the LEA will implement a number of specific parental involvement activities. It is incorporated into the LEA's plan submitted to the State Educational Agency (SEA).
Section 1118	1. The Neshannock Township School District agrees to the following statutory requirements: * The District will implement programs, activities, and procedures that will involve parents in all of the schools' Title I Part A programs, consistent with Section 1118 of the Elementary and Secondary Education Act (ESEA). These programs will be planned with consultation and participation of parents. * The District, in compliance with Section 1118, will meet required school-level parent involvement policies to include as a component a school-parent compact consistent with Section 1118(d) of the ESEA.
Section 1112	* The District, in accordance with Section 1112 of the ESEA, will implement a District-wide Parental Involvement Policy into the LEA plan.
Section 1111	* The District will provide opportunities for the participation of parents with limited English proficiency, parents with disabilities, and parents of migratory children.
Part II District Implementation	**Implementation of Required District-Wide Parental Involvement Policy Components** 1. The District will take the following actions to involve parents in the joint development of its District-wide Parental Involvement Plan under Section 1112 of the ESEA: * The Parent Involvement Plan will be distributed at the annual Title I parent breakfast. * Parents will be encouraged to speak with the Title I instructor and/or the Building Principal at the Open House.

	* Title I parents are invited to attend the fall Parent Advisory meeting at the IU IV. * Title I parents will be involved in policy review annually. 2. The District will take the following actions to involve parents in the process of school review and improvement under Section 1116 of the ESEA: * Title I parents will be invited to the Memorial Elementary School to attend the annual meeting to discuss and provide input into the Title I Program. * Title I parents will be given a Needs Assessment at the end of each school year and Suggestions for Changes for the following year. 3. The District will provide the necessary coordination, technical assistance, and other support to assist Title I Part A School, in planning and implementing effective parental involvement activities to improve student academic achievement and school performance: * Teachers and Administrators involved in the Title I Program will be permitted to attend trainings and workshops. * Title I staff will provide parents with instruction ideas to help their child. * Title I staff will provide at least one parent evening workshop with parents. 4. The District will coordinate and integrate parental strategies in Part A with parental involvement strategies under the following programs: A. The District will, with the assistance of its Title I Part A School, provide assistance to parents of children served by the District or school in understanding topics such as the following by undertaking the actions described in this paragraph: * Continue a School-Wide Parent Advisory Council to provide advice on all matters related to parental involvement in Title I Part A Program. * All parents of Title I students will be invited to participate and attend all workshops or conferences available through the school or Midwestern Intermediate Unit IV. (IU IV) * Parents will be invited to participate in the IU IV Parent Advisory Group. * Parents will be invited to apply for membership in the State Parent Advisory Committee. * One family will be invited to attend the annual State Parent Advisory Committee Conference and report back information about that conference to the Local Parent Advisory Counsel. B. The District will, with the assistance of its school, provide materials to help parents work with their children to improve their children's academic achievement and to foster parental development by presentation of the following:

	* Parental Involvement Workshop * Parental website resources C. The District will, with the assistance of its schools and parents; educate its teachers, principals, and other staff in how to reach out to, communicate with, and work with parents as equal partners in the value and utility of contributions of parents and in how to implement and coordinate parent programs and build ties between parents and schools by: * Providing information to teachers and staff on parent involvement D. The District will, to the extent feasible and appropriate, coordinate and integrate parental involvement programs and activities with Head Start, home instruction programs for preschool youngsters, and public preschool and other programs. The District will conduct other activities such as parent resources centers that encourage and support parents in more fully participating in the education of their children.