THE PARENT ORGANIZATION NETWORK (PON) BELIEVES IN THE POWER OF PARENTS.

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STANDARDS

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LEARNING

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A Planning Team is established; invests more than a year to develop a foundation for a sustainable network of parent organizations.

Second Parent Summit "Connecting and Strengthening Parent Voices" officially launches PON. Over 300 parents and advocates generate regional momentum for a county-wide collaborative.

PON Standards officially become part of LAUSD Parent Engagement and Involvement Plan. PON is invited to participate on LAUSD's Parent Engagement Steering Committee to develop an implementation strategy and tools for the District's newlydeveloped Plan.

PON hosts its fourth countywide parent summit "Bridging the Parent-School Gap" for approximately 350 parent and community leaders.

Planning Team's first education summit for 150 parent leaders and organizations provides networking and training opportunities. Feedback from over 20 parent organizations helps develop parent engagement and school reform recommendations. PON's third summit, "Divided No More," attracts 400 parent and community leaders and highlights need for multi-ethnic parent movement in Los Angeles. PON develops and adopts Parent Engagement Standards to hold schools/districts accountable, and partners with LAUSD to develop District's Strategic Plan for Parent Engagement.

PON rolls out "RESPECT for Parents" Campaign to train low-income parents to increase engagement in their child's school which decades of research and reason show is critical for student success. PON hosts its fifth county-wide summit, the second event of three PON Learning Series, "Bridging the Parent-School Gap, Part 2" for approximately 125 parent and community leaders.





We are education partners.





Parents can and must be strong advocates for their children. They can and should partner with public schools to ensure a high quality and equitable education for all children. This is what drives the Parent Organization Network and why the organization's work is so important today. Formed in July 2005, PON's mission was to provide a place and space for parents to improve educational outcomes for students from low to moderate-income communities of color in Los Angeles County. The parent perspective on parent engagement continues to be missing from so many conversations about schools and academic achievement. This collaborative of independent parent organizations promotes and supports parents, helping them find and build their voice to help their kids succeed.

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PON completes a curriculum based on the Parent Engagement Standards: communication, relationship building, supporting student success and health and safety. PON actively begins to monitor the progress of the Local Control Funding Formula (LCFF) which requires school districts to meaningfully engage the community when developing plans and budgets that strive to improve services and increase equity for students with higher needs.

PON parents become members of Parent Advisory Committees to support school districts in their LCFF planning and budgeting processes and testify at State Board of Education meetings to advocate for indicators that will measure growth on family engagement plans.

LAUSD updates guidance on DPLs, including an appeals process and works with PON to develop a pilot program to help parents and school officials communicate and collaborate. PON facilitates a Professional Learning Network on parent engagement to strengthen theory and practice on parent and community engagement.

The California Department of Education and partners present a revised tool for school districts to annually assess progress on family engagement and the State Board of Education adopts it.

Two court cases related to parent bans are resolved in 2019, with one deciding in favor of parents and another in favor of the school district.

PON provides technical assistance to parents in Alhambra, Lynwood, and Pasadena Unified School Districts and Whittier City School District, to testify at public hearings on education. PON organization members advocate for more resources for parent engagement, college readiness, improved school climate and English learners.

PON Project Director is appointed by the State Board of Education to serve on the California Practitioners Advisory Group on the adoption of a coherent and integrated K-12 education accountability system. PON releases a report on LAUSD's issuance of "Disruptive Person Letters" (DPLs) to parents, which bans them from their children's schools without due process, hindering engagement and advocacy.

PON members assist LAUSD in developing a program to strengthen relationship building and conflict resolutions skills for administrators, and to cultivate partnerships with parents for student success. PON also advocates for LAUSD to update its volunteer policies to allow for maximum parent participation.



