

# The Six Slices of Parental Involvement™



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Parental Involvement Report Card

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## Maine Parental Involvement Report Card™

The following questions are based on the **Six Slices of Parental Involvement** and are intended to help parents rate their contributions to their child's success at school. Research indicates that students are more successful when parents are involved in their child's education. Use these 30 questions as a guide to discover some of the ways that you can help your child at home and at school.

- Simply check your answer to the following questions and then total your responses using the instructions at the end of the Report Card.



### Learning at Home

### HOW WELL DO YOU SUPPORT YOUR CHILD'S LEARNING?



#### Parenting

1. Have you identified a regular time and place in your home for your child to do his/her homework? Yes  No
2. Do you monitor your child's homework? Yes  No
3. Do you monitor your child's television viewing habits? Yes  No
4. Do you ensure that your child has excellent attendance at school? Yes  No
5. Have you discussed with your child the importance of a good education? Yes  No
6. Did you attend Open House or Back-To-School Night at our child's school? Yes  No
7. Do you support and reinforce the school's discipline plan? Yes  No
8. Do you support your child's learning by providing nutritious meals and adequate time for sleep? Yes  No

9. Do you read to your young child? If your child is older, do you encourage reading by paying attention to what your child reads as well as how often he/she reads? Yes  No

10. Do you hold your child responsible for completing all assignments on time and to the best of his/her ability? Yes  No

11. Are you knowledgeable about what information and skills your child should master at his/her grade level or in his/her subject areas? Yes  No

### HOW INVOLVED ARE YOU WITH YOUR CHILD'S SCHOOL?



#### Volunteering

12. Did you sign a written parental involvement pledge and volunteer to help teachers, administrators, students and other parents? Yes  No

13. Were you a class parent, telephone tree coordinator, or a volunteer who provided parents with needed information? Yes  No

14. Were you a part of parent patrols or other activities to increase the safety and operation of your child's school and programs? Yes  No



### Decision Making

15. Have you attended at least one PTA, PTO or other support group meeting this year? Yes  No
16. Have you worked on school-based management committees, district level councils and/or committees on issues concerning your schools? Yes  No
17. Did you assist in providing information on school or local district elections for school representatives? Yes  No



### Community Involvement

18. Have you attended at least one school program? (Examples are an awards assembly, a play, an athletic event or a school party?) Yes  No
19. Are you a model of "good sportsmanship" when attending school and community events? Yes  No
20. Do you insist that your child exhibit good sportsmanship at all times? Yes  No
21. Do you encourage your child to participate in volunteer projects which serve the community? Yes  No

### HOW FAMILIAR ARE YOU WITH SCHOOL INFORMATION?



### Communicating

22. Have you read the student code of conduct and/or discipline policy? Yes  No
23. Do you regularly read the school newsletter? Yes  No
24. Are you familiar with the extra services provided at your child's school? (Examples are speech therapy, resource help for gifted students and counseling.) Yes  No
25. Do you make yourself available for conferences requested by your child's teacher? Yes  No
26. Have you had at least one parent teacher conference with the teacher(s) of your child? Yes  No
27. Do you initiate contact with your child's teacher or principal just to show your support? Yes  No
28. Are you aware of your child's academic strengths and weaknesses? Yes  No
29. Do you ensure that your child takes courses to prepare him/her for a chosen career path? Yes  No
30. Are you familiar with the grading scale used on your child's report card? Yes  No

TOTAL \_\_\_\_\_

### HOW DID YOU SCORE?

**INSTRUCTIONS: Now go back and count the boxes checked "Yes" and then add them up to get your score! Don't forget to take the Parental Involvement Pledge Online at [www.projectappleseed.org](http://www.projectappleseed.org)!**

**21 - 30: EXCELLENT!**

Congratulations! You are a strong partner in your child's education.

**10 - 20: GOOD!**

Yes! You are making wonderful contributions to your child's education but there are even more ways that you can help.

**0 - 9: NEEDS IMPROVEMENT!**

Your school and your child needs your help! Your child's success at school might be increased if you were able to help more.