LUZERNE SECTION: COMMUNITY

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INVOLVEMENT

INTERMEDIATE

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## 917. PARENTAL/FAMILY INVOLVEMENT 1. Purpose The Board recognizes the vital role parents/guardians and family play in the education, welfare and values of their children. The Intermediate Unit is committed to the belief that all students can learn and acknowledges that schools and families share a commitment to the educational success of students. 2. Definition Parental and family involvement shall be defined as an ongoing process that assists parents/guardians and families to meet their basic obligation as a child's first educator, promotes clear two-way dialogue between the Intermediate Unit and home, and supports parents/guardians as leaders and decision-makers concerning the education of their children at all levels. 3. Authority The Board recognizes that the responsibility for each student's education is shared by the Intermediate Unit and the family and acknowledges that both must work as knowledgeable, cooperative partners to effectively educate all students. To this end, the Board shall support the development, implementation, and continuing evaluation of a parental and family involvement program that will involve parents/guardians at all grade levels in a variety of roles. 4. Guidelines Because parents/guardians are familiar with the needs, problems and abilities of their children, staff should communicate with and seek their input throughout the school year.