



Organized Parental Involvement In Public Schools

Recommendations to the Obama-Biden Presidential Transition Project

- President-Elect Obama must now quantify his campaign call for parental responsibility in public schools by leading and funding a nationwide campaign to recruit and **organize 10 million new parent and family volunteers** each year for the next five years.
- **Fund parent liaison positions in local schools** through the use of Title I funds. Parent liaisons help implement parent compacts throughout the year, organize activities that increase engagement between the school and community and organize activities that promote family literacy.
- Support incentives to states and local districts that **use learning compacts to enlist parent volunteers** as mandated in NCLB, Title I, Section 1118.
- **Empower parents and concerned citizens with the ability to enforce the law.** States and the United States Department of Education should set a administrative complaint process for parents and concerned citizens to seek better and more full implementation of NCLB, Title I, Section 1118. Individuals would have the ability to take their case to state court. The only available remedy would be requiring implementation of the provision in question, not financial damages.
- Provide **incentives to employers** that offer employees, a minimum of 10 hours of paid volunteer time in local schools.
- Support **additional funding for federally funded PIRC's** - Parent Information Resource Centers - for parent organizing and training.

