

# FAMILY ENGAGEMENT AWARD

Name of Local Unit: \_\_\_\_\_

Name of PTA President: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone #: \_\_\_\_\_

Email: \_\_\_\_\_

PTAs play an important role in promoting family engagement in schools and communities. These standards can be used by PTAs as a framework for thinking about, structuring, and assessing family engagement:

**Standard 1: Welcoming all families into the school community**—Families are active participants in the life of the school, and feel welcomed, valued, and connected to each other, to school staff, and to what students are learning and doing in class.

**Standard 2: Communicating effectively**—Families and school staff engage in regular, two-way, meaningful communication about student learning.

**Standard 3: Supporting student success**—Families and school staff continuously collaborate to support students' learning and healthy development both at home and at school and have regular opportunities to strengthen their knowledge and skills to do so effectively.

**Standard 4: Speaking up for every child**—Families are empowered to be advocates for their own and other children, to ensure that students are treated fairly and have access to learning opportunities that will support their success.

**Standard 5: Sharing power**—Families and school staff are equal partners in decisions that affect children and families and together inform, influence, and create policies, practices, and programs.

**Standard 6: Collaborating with community**—Families and school staff collaborate with community members to connect students, families, and staff to expanded learning opportunities, community services, and civic participation.

**Criteria for Award: 3 ITEMS must be met in order to qualify:**

1. PTA/PTSA plans and participates in a Family Engagement Program or Project based on one or more of the above standards.
2. Must be a PTA in good standing: See all SIX requirements at <https://www.dccpta.org/running-your-pta/local-unit-compliance/>.
3. Submitted to the DCCPTA Awards Chair:

**Deadline:** On or before March 31<sup>st</sup> at 12 noon.

**Upload:** Upload your completed awards applications here - <https://bit.ly/2NgqOhR>.

**Email:** If you're having difficulty uploading your files, you may email the documents to [awards@dccpta.org](mailto:awards@dccpta.org).

*\*If you prefer to submit a paper copy of your application, you must contact the awards chair by email (awards@dccpta.org) no later than March 29<sup>th</sup> to arrange drop off.*

Name of Project: \_\_\_\_\_ Standard #: \_\_\_\_\_

# of Participants: \_\_\_\_\_ # of Volunteer Hours: \_\_\_\_\_

Is this Project  one time or  ongoing?

**Description of Project:** (attach description on one (1) additional page)

PTA President's Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

Principal's Name (print): \_\_\_\_\_