

State of Maine



WHEREAS, parents are their child's first and most influential teacher and all parents have hopes and goals for their children; and

WHEREAS, parent involvement which requires a vision, policy and framework, must be a legitimate element of education; and

WHEREAS, children rely on their parents support and encouragement to foster a love of learning and parents attend to the needs of their children in assuring that they arrive at school well rested, in good health and ready to learn; and

WHEREAS, parents monitor their children's homework, attend school events, are members of parent/teacher groups, support the work of teachers and talk with their children about school life; and

WHEREAS, when schools, parents and communities work together, our children succeed in school and this partnership of schools, parents and community comes together for the betterment of children; and

WHEREAS, it is appropriate that we pause to recognize the outstanding contributions made by parents in fostering a love of learning and schools who acknowledge the importance of parental involvement and take action to make it an intricate part of the school community,

NOW, THEREFORE, I, JOHN E. BALDACC, Governor of the State of Maine, do hereby proclaim October 2008 as


PARENT INVOLVEMENT MONTH

throughout the State of Maine, and urge all citizens to join with me in recognition of the importance parents have in their children's life, education and school community.

In testimony whereof, I have caused
the Great Seal of the State to be
hereunto affixed GIVEN under my
hand at Augusta this fifth
day of September in the Year
Two Thousand and Eight.




John E. Baldacci
Governor


Matthew Dunlap
Secretary of State
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