

This document can be copied and distributed by schools and districts in newsletters, websites, etc. to notify parents of the existence and purpose of PIRCs in Florida (Florida's Parental Information and Resource Centers) as required by federal law [NCLB, Title I, Part (a) Section 1118 (g)]. This PIRC Parent Notification is also available for free downloading in English and Spanish, and soon in Haitian Creole, at www.floridapirc.usf.edu.



PIRC: Parental Information & Resource Center, NCLB Parental Notification

What is the Florida PIRC at USF?

The Florida Parental Information and Resource Center (PIRC) at the University of South Florida (USF) is a center funded by the US Department of Education.

The PIRC's goal is improved parental involvement in education so Florida's students:

- 1) are better prepared to enter school, and
- 2) increase in their academic achievement.

What can the Florida PIRC at USF do for you and your child's school?

1. *Provide training, information, and services that strengthen the relationship between parents, schools, and early childhood programs.*
For example:
 - ◆ Training workshops for parents and educators
 - ◆ Tip sheets for parents and educators
 - ◆ Website with resources (www.floridapirc.usf.edu)
 - ◆ Electronic communication of parent involvement news
 - ◆ Regional parent involvement learning communities to exchange ideas
 - ◆ Outreach to underrepresented families to support parent involvement in education
 - ◆ Connections to other organizations that support parent involvement.
2. *Coordinate, collaborate, and network to increase parent involvement for academic achievement by increasing understanding and best use of state and federal systems and safeguards, including:*
 - ◆ FCAT (Florida Comprehensive Assessment Test)
 - ◆ School and state report cards
 - ◆ Public school choice
 - ◆ Free tutoring for those who qualify (Supplemental Educational Services, SES)
 - ◆ Rights and opportunities for your child under the *No Child Left Behind (NCLB) Act*
 - ◆ School-parent compacts.
3. *Develop and support research-based parent involvement practices that improve student achievement.*
For example:
 - ◆ Trainings and workshops in subject areas (math, science, and reading)
 - ◆ Strategies for parents to help children with schoolwork
 - ◆ Policies to help parents and educators communicate effectively
 - ◆ Conferences to turn what we **know** are best practices into what we actually **do**
 - ◆ Early childhood home visiting programs (*Parents as Teachers, PAT*).

For more information, please contact the Florida Parental Information & Resource Center (PIRC) at the University of South Florida:
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Visit the Florida PIRC at USF website for many free, downloadable resources for parents & educators:
www.floridapirc.usf.edu

Want to know more about the Florida PIRC at USF? Please visit www.floridapirc.usf.edu or call (866) 775-8661.

- ◆ To learn about the National PIRC Program, visit www.nationalpirc.org/pircs.
- ◆ To learn about the Florida PIRC of FND, visit www.floridapirc.org.

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What is a **P**arental **I**nformation and **R**esource **C**enter (PIRC)?

**Notification of the existence and purpose of the Parental Information and Resource Centers as required in NCLB Title I, Part(a), section 1118(g).*

The FL PIRC of FND is a U.S. Department of Education grant-funded **PIRC**.

The FL PIRC of FND provides free training, resources, and assistance to parents, schools, and communities to help promote effective parental involvement and family engagement practices. **The FL PIRC of FND** also provides early childhood programs to help parents of pre-schoolers support their children's learning.

What is the purpose of a PIRC?

The FL PIRC of FND works to engage families and strengthen partnerships among parents, schools, and communities to meet the educational needs of children.

How does a PIRC assist parents?

The FL PIRC of FND provides parents with workshops, tip sheets, materials, and resources to help them better understand their rights and responsibilities in supporting their children's education at home and at school.



How does a PIRC assist schools?

The FL PIRC of FND helps schools learn and implement best practices in parental involvement and family engagement. These practices help build home-school partnerships to support children's learning.



How does a PIRC assist communities?

The FL PIRC of FND works with faith based and community organizations to promote home-school partnerships. **The FL PIRC of FND** partners with these organizations to provide tools and strategies to support their efforts to promote parental involvement and family engagement.

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EL CENTRO DE INFORMACION Y RECURSOS PARA PADRES DE FND EN LA FLORIDA



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¿Qué es a Centro de Información y Recursos para Padres (PIRC)?

Notificación de la existencia y el propósito del Centro de Información y Recursos para Padres. Según requerido por el programa de Título I de NCLB, Parte (a), sección 1118(g)

EL FL PIRC de FND es subvencionado por el Centro del Departamento de Educación de los Estados Unidos. **EL FL PIRC de FND**, proporciona talleres gratuitos, recursos y asesoría a los padres, escuelas y comunidades para ayudar a fomentar la colaboración y participación de los padres. **EL FL PIRC de FND** también trabaja con los programas de educación infantil, ayudando a los padres en sus esfuerzos para la educación y aprendizaje de sus hijos.

¿Cuál es el propósito del FL PIRC de FND?

EL FL PIRC de FND trabaja fortaleciendo la colaboración entre los padres, escuelas y comunidades en cumplir las necesidades educativas de los estudiantes.

¿Cómo asiste a los padres el FL PIRC de FND ?

EL FL PIRC de FND ofrece a los padres talleres, hojas de consejos, entrenamientos, materi les y recursos para ayudar a los padres a tener mejor entendimiento de sus derechos y responsabilidades al apoyar la educación de sus hijos en el hogar y en la escuela.



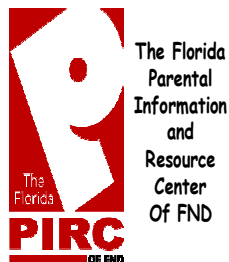
¿Cómo funciona El FL PIRC de FND en asistir a las escuelas?

EL FL PIRC de FND ayuda a las escuelas a utilizar y aplicar las mejores practicas en la participación de las familias. Estas practicas ayudan a construir vínculos entre el hogar y la escuela para apoyar el aprendizaje de los estudiantes .

¿Cómo funciona El FL PIRC de FND en asistir a las comunidades?

EL FL PIRC de FND trabaja con Instituciones Religiosas y organizaciones en la comunidad en promover la colaboración y enlace entre el hogar y las escuelas. **EL FL PIRC de FND** proporciona herramientas y estrategias a los grupos religiosos y centros comunitarios en los esfuerzos de estos grupos .

La información mencionada se puede copiar y distribuir de las escuelas y los distritos para notificar a los padres de la existencia y el propósito del **Centro de Información y Recursos para Padres de la Florida (PIRC) del FND**, según requerido en el Título I de NCLB, Parte (a), sección 1118 (g) . Si desea una versión electrónica de esta notificación, por favor envíe su información al correo electrónico pirc@fndflpirc.org o visite www.floridapirc.org.



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