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# Who is Alaska PTA?

147 Individual PTA Units: Nome to Craig

7000 Alaska PTA Members (\$4 per person)

48% of Alaskan Students

143,336 volunteer hours

\$3,583,400.00 Value



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# Overall Finding from the Research:

**When families are involved at  
home and at school – children  
do better in school.**



Participate • Communicate • Advocate

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# Finding #2 – Programs Work

Events and activities designed to engage families in supporting children's learning lead to improved student achievement.

Your Child



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# Finding #3 – Advocacy is Protective

The more families can be advocates for children and support their progress, the better their children do and the longer they stay in school.



**Strong Families, Strong Schools**  
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# Finding #4 – All Families Contribute

Schools that have succeeded in engaging families from very diverse backgrounds shared three common practices.



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# National Standards for Family-School Partnerships



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# Keys to Success

- ▶ Remember, one size does not fit all
- ▶ Set clear and measurable goals based on family and community input
- ▶ Develop a variety of outreach mechanisms





# Top Five

- ▶ Fund the 'real cost' of Education
- ▶ Invest in Teachers
- ▶ Teach a full curriculum at all ages
- ▶ Invest in early childhood programs
- ▶ Be present and thoughtful



**Believe that family involvement  
improves the achievement of  
every student.**



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**Making every child's potential a reality is  
the best investment of time and energy you  
can make.**



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- ▶ 1 parent = A Fruitcake
- ▶ 2 parents = A fruitcake and a friend
- ▶ 3 parents = Troublemakers
- ▶ 5 parents = Lets have a meeting
- ▶ 10 parents = We'd better listen
- ▶ 25 parents = Our Dear Friends
- ▶ 50 parents = A powerful organization =  
Parent Involvement