

**USBE - Parent Liaison
and
Engagement Education specialist**

What do I do?

My position was born out of the 2023 legislative session [53G-6-807](#) with four main points of focus as designated by The Board. I also report directly to The Board.

Parent Portal

- Maintain the Parent Portal as per [53-6-806](#).
 - Validate data protection and student privacy.
 - Utilized written and verbal translation services for parents.

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Conflict Resolution

- Respond to questions and complaints regarding Parent Rights and Opportunities through the Utah Education System at all levels.
 - Share information with parents and community about rights and opportunities.
 - Assist LEAs in resolution of conflicts.
 - Respect, protect and further the interests of parents in their children's public education.

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Parent Engagement

- Provide guidance and outreach to LEAs across the state with:
 - Share research on parent engagement practices which contributes to student attendance and success as in compliance with **53-2-201**.
 - Gather, evaluate, and observe effective family engagement strategies to share with LEA administrators (ie: Title I directors, special education directors, school principals) as considerations for potential implementation
 - Provide professional learning and technical assistance to teachers and school leaders with evidence-based models and practices.
 - Promote and encourage full and active participation and involvement of parents at all public schools.

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Parent Engagement cont.

- Collaborate with other USBE teams to ensure parent engagement strategies are represented and supported in all USBE work.
- Systematize funding mechanisms for LEAs to utilize USBE-sponsored parent engagement
- Facilitate parent support and focus groups to gather data about parent engagement and the special education process
- Collaborate with other Utah government agencies and non-profit groups on empowering parents in Utah Education.

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Military Families

-Family education liaison to assist military families