

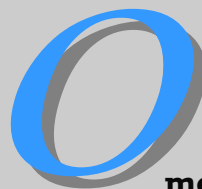
PEN Partners:

Parent Information Center:

PIC provides information, support and referral to families of children with disabilities about their rights for special education and related disability issues. Call (307) 684-2277, toll-free in WY 1 - 800-660-9742 or www.wpic.org.

Parents as Teachers:

PEN provides this home-based early intervention program to at-risk families from pregnancy until kindergarten. The PAT program provides families with parenting support, encouragement and information on their developing child. Call the PAT Coordinator at (307) 684-7441 or e-mail PATinfo@wpen.net.



Our mission is to provide a means of communication, cooperation, and education to parents and professionals who wish to serve and support children with and without disabilities. We aim to help families become more active in their children's learning and education, and obtain better programs and services through advocacy, education, and referral.

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What is PEN?

The Parent Education Network (PEN) is Wyoming's State PIRC, a Parent Information and Resource Center, funded by the US Department of Education., Office of Innovation and Improvement.

- ◆ We help families become informed about their rights and choices under No Child Left Behind.
- ◆ We provide assistance to school teams to develop meaningful parent involvement policies, and to schools on making their school climate more family-friendly.

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at www.wpen.net
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PEN supports with:

[Outreach Parent Liaisons](#) in different communities around the state to:

- ◆ Provide technical assistance to schools to help teams develop meaningful parent involvement policies.
- ◆ Offer workshops to parent groups on educational topics such as standards and strategies for positive parent involvement.
- ◆ Work with PTA/PTOs on activities that help link what is happening at school with learning at home.

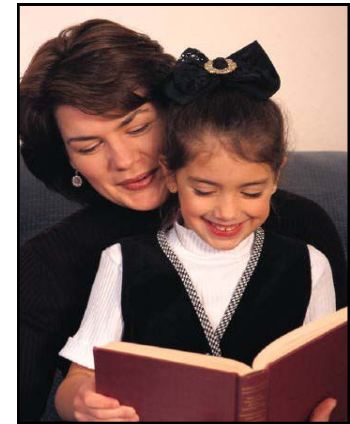
For the Outreach Parent Liaison in your area, call 1-877-900-9736 or see the list on our website at www.wpen.net.

[Family-School Partnership Contracts](#)

PEN targets Title 1 schools or those not having made Adequate Yearly Progress by offering contracts to parent-teacher groups to actively engage parents in linking school work and learning at home in partnerships with schools to increase student achievement

These contracts are designed to help build the capacity of parent-teacher groups to:

- ✓ understand their options under No Child Left Behind and its accountability systems.
- ✓ engage parents in their children's learning.



PEN provides information through:

[Newsletter: PICS~n~PIECES](#), available at no cost to families

[Fact sheet series:](#)

- ✓ **Education Extras** - facts about topics such as: No Child Left Behind, Wyoming standards, Title 1, testing and accountability systems.
- ✓ **PEN Notes** - tips for parenting and school topics such as: parent teacher conferences, raising a reader and kindergarten readiness.
- ✓ **Thoughts for Tots** - for ideas on raising your infants and toddlers: teachable moments, bedtime battles and temper tantrums.

[Literacy Video:](#) a video for families with tips to help their children learn to read.

*fact sheets & video available in Spanish

**Together we help families
form stronger partnerships
with schools for greater
student success.**