

# Family Engagement Leaders of Ohio

December 2, 2025



Welcome!

# Hello!

Please add your name, Role, and Organization to the Chat Box.



A colorful word cloud where each word represents a different way to say 'Hello' in a specific language. The words are arranged in a grid-like pattern with varying sizes and colors. The languages include: Bună ziua (Romanian), Dzień dobry (Polish), SZIA (Hungarian), HEJ (Swedish), NORO (Norwegian), SAN (Spanish), HEJSAN (Danish), GUTEN TAG (German), ALLO (French), Cześć (Polish), BONJOUR (French), HELLO (English), SZERVUSZ (Hungarian), BONGHJORNU (Icelandic), CIAO (Italian), DAR FIA (Portuguese), IALOO (Swedish), DIA DUIT (Irish), SAI (Portuguese), ALOHA (Hawaiian), MERHABA (Turkish), ZDRAVO (Croatian/Serbian), VERWELKOMMING (Afrikaans), HEI (Norwegian), SALUT (French), and Hvîô (Faroese). The background is white with a light gray dashed border.

# About us

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# FELOs at a Glance

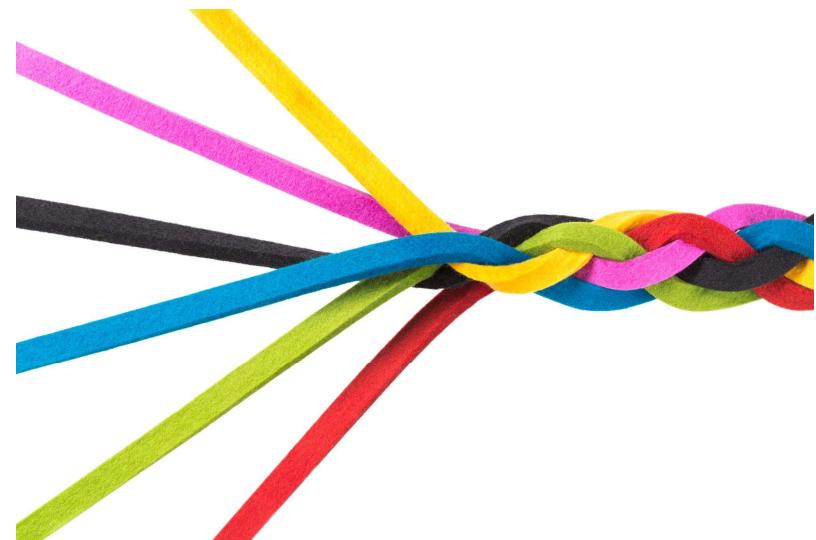


Family Engagement Leaders of Ohio (FELOs) is a virtual professional learning community for family engagement professionals in Ohio's districts and community schools. FELOs brings professionals together to share experiences and to learn how we can build partnerships with all families in our preK – 12 education community.



# Colleague Connection

1. What's one of your favorite winter break memories?
2. What knowledge, experience, and expertise do you bring to your team?





# Agenda

- I. Welcome
- II. Colleague Connection
- III. Objectives
- IV. Featured Speaker- Dr. Joyce Epstein
- V. Discussion
- VI. OhSFEC News, exit survey, and adjourn





# Objectives

1. Build a community of inquiry for family engagement
2. Identify strengths and areas of improvement of goal-linked partnerships



# Dr. Joyce Epstein

Co-Director of the Center on School,  
Family, and Community Partnerships  
and National Network of Partnership  
Schools (NNPS)

Professor of Education at the School  
of Education

Associated faculty in the Department  
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# Learn-Link-Launch Discussion

Learn: 5 minutes in silent reflection to answer three prompts: your core takeaways, your application challenge, and your target partner.

Link: Connect theory to practice. 5 minutes to share your notes and challenge. The rest of the group becomes a brainstorming team, offering targeted, actionable strategies.

Launch: Draft a SMART Launch goal with one concrete action you will take in the next 2 weeks with your identified partner.



# Launch

In the chat,  
share your  
SMART goal  
on liftoff

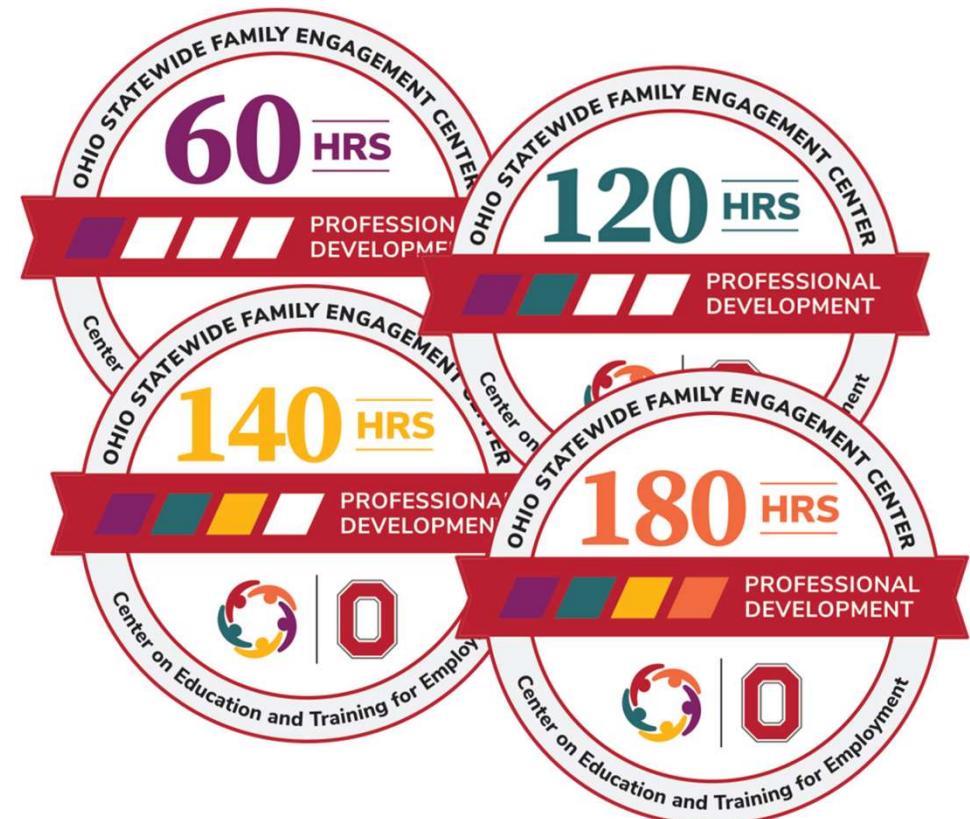


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Thoughts or  
Questions



# Programs and Resources





NETWORK OF PARTNERSHIP SCHOOLS



JOIN THE NETWORK!

<https://ohiofamiliesengage.osu.edu/resources/onps-self-paced-seminar/>

ONLINE SEMINAR

# Multi-Tiered Family Engagement

JANUARY 9-29, 2026

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Registration opens: 10/1/25

Last day to register: 12/22/25

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Next Meeting  
**February 17, 2026!**





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