



South Park Elementary Family Engagement Plan

The South Park Elementary Family Engagement Plan was developed jointly with parents to establish expectations for parental involvement and define the school's commitment to providing parents and families with the skills and information necessary to help their children achieve academic excellence. Our goal is to assist parents and families in being knowledgeable of the skills and knowledge needed to help their child/children be successful in school.

Parental Commitment

South Park Elementary parents will act as advisors, resource people, and coordinators in the following ways:

- Supporting our school's efforts to maintain a safe and respectful environment
- Encouraging their child to solve conflicts peacefully
- Supporting our school's efforts to help their child achieve academically
- Assisting their child with homework and special projects
- Expressing ideas, concerns, and suggestions to teachers and school administrators
- Providing frequent and meaningful attention to help their child reach their full potential in school and life
- Maintaining ongoing communication, including attending parent/teacher conferences
- Actively participating in the PTO, Family Literacy, Math and Science Nights, and other parent/school committees and training
- Responding to memos, surveys, and questionnaires expressing their ideas and concerns
- Becoming South Park Elementary School supporters and advocates within their community

Title I Commitment

South Park Elementary will work together with parents, administrators, staff, and community members to plan for and ensure high-quality academic programs in the following ways:

- Making parents and community members aware of Title I requirements and South Park Elementary's participation in state and federal programs
- Providing timely information to families about programs and policies administered under the Title I Federal guidelines
- Encouraging parents to observe and volunteer in the school's programs and classrooms
- Providing parents with ongoing, current student information and progress reports
- Soliciting ongoing feedback and suggestions from parents on decisions relating to the education of their children
- Providing parents and the community with copies and explanations of the Family Engagement Plan and Parent/Student/School Compact
- Assisting parents in understanding South Park Elementary's curriculum, assessments used to measure student progress, and the proficiency levels students are expected to meet

School Commitment

South Park Elementary will encourage families to become meaningfully engaged in their child's education by doing the following:

- Inviting all parents to annual meetings (at flexible times) to inform them of Title I requirements, the school's participation in Title I, and the rights of parents to be involved in the school
- Conducting regular and flexible parent meetings to keep parents effectively informed of current events and issues, timely progress reports, and parent/teacher conferences
- Involving parents in the school's organized and ongoing development, review and future revisions of the School Improvement Plan, Family Engagement Plan, Parent/School Compact, and other documents and programs relating to their child's academic instruction
- Eliminating language barriers for limited English proficiency parents by providing written and verbal communication in their primary language
- Encouraging parents to meet the challenges of raising happy, successful children by offering diverse parent training and workshops based on surveyed parental needs
- Providing appropriate resources to support school learning
- Provide information, training opportunities, and family services to improve parents' ability to help with their child's education
- Distributing Parent/Student Handbooks, Family Engagement Plans, and Parent/School Compacts and acquiring appropriate signatures
- Listening and keeping an open line of communication to those we serve, our parents, students, and stakeholders, to help gain insight into the hearts, minds, and cultures of our families and use this information to develop and administer programs and policies that positively affect our student's school experience

Parent's Signature- _____

Principal's Signature- _____

Title VI non-discrimination statement

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