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FAMILY ENGAGEMENT PLAN 2021-2022

The Hamilton K-8 School, Family Engagement Plan was **jointly developed with parents** and has established **expectation for parental involvement** and to define the school's commitment to providing parents with the necessary information and skills to help their children achieve academic excellence.

Parental Commitment

Hamilton K-8 School parents will act as advisors, resource persons, 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 and understand the State's academic content standards and the State student achievement standards.
- Assisting their child with homework and special projects
- Expressing ideas, concerns, and suggestions to teachers and school administrators. A process is in place if it is not satisfactory to the parents
- Providing frequent and meaningful attention to help their child reach their full potential in school and in life
- Maintaining ongoing communication including attending parent/teacher conferences, literacy training, and using technology to foster parental involvement.
- Actively participating in the PTSA, Leadership Council, and other parent/school committees and trainings
- Responding to memos, surveys and questionnaires expressing their ideas and/or concerns
- Using their talents and resources to enhance Hamilton K-8 School's instructional program
- Becoming Hamilton K-8 School supporters and advocates within their community

NCLB/Title I Commitment

No Child Left Behind (NCLB) requires that Hamilton K-8 School parents, administrators, staff and community members work together to plan for and ensure high quality academic programs in the following ways:

- Making parents and community members aware of NCLB, **Title I requirements** and Hamilton K-8 School's participation in state and federal programs
- Providing timely information to families about program and policies administered under NCLB guidelines
- Encouraging parents to observe and volunteer in the school's programs and classrooms as well as informing parents of their **right to be involved**
- Providing parents with ongoing, current student information and progress reports, and ensuring that they are **invited to Annual meetings**
- Soliciting ongoing feedback and suggestions from parents on decisions relating to the education of their children

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- Providing parents with copies and explanations of the Family Engagement Plan and Parent/Student/School Compact
- Assisting parents in understanding Hamilton K-8's curriculum and assessments used to measure student progress and the proficiency levels students are expected to meet

School Commitment

Hamilton K-8 School will encourage families to become meaningfully engaged in their child's education by doing the following:

- Inviting all parents to the annual meetings that will be held during the school year to inform them **of NCLB and 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 number of parent meetings**, to keep parents informed of current events and issues, **curriculum, academic assessments, proficiency levels**, progress reports, and parent/teacher conferences
- Involving parents in organized and ongoing development and future revisions of the School Improvement Plan, Family Engagement Plan, Parent/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 parental training and based on surveyed parental needs
- Providing appropriate resources to support school learning
- Provide **timely information about parent programs, opportunities for regular meetings** and trainings, as well as family services to improve the parent's ability to help with their child's education
- Provide opportunities for parents to participate in **an organized, ongoing, and timely process to assist in the planning and reviewing programs**
- Distributing Parent/Student Handbooks, Family Engagement Plans, and Parent/School Compact (**which has been jointly developed with parents**) and acquired appropriate signatures
- Listening 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 students' school experience

I have read and support the Hamilton K-8 School Family Engagement Plan.

Parent Signature _____

Student's Name _____ **Grade Level** _____

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