



Parent & Family Engagement Program 2023-2024

What is it?

Rockdale Junior High School is committed to our vision: Empower and challenge all students to achieve personal excellence for college and career success. We strive to provide high-quality education individualized for each student by developing and maintaining relationships with families and the community. One way we continue to do this is by participating in the Title I, Part A State Program. This program provides funding for low socioeconomic schools. In return, we promise to meet the expectations laid out for us by the Texas Education Agency and the United States Department of Education.

Funding

Title I funds will be allocated for the implementation of the parent and family engagement program. Such programs, activities, and procedures will be planned and implemented with meaningful consultation with parents of participating children.

Review

All use of funding and activities can be reviewed by the Texas Education Agency upon request to ensure they meet the need of the PFE Program.

Family Meetings

Parent Meetings offer a time for the school and family to communicate necessary information. These meetings will always take place in the library. You can enter through the main entrance at 814 Bushdale Rd. The information is the same for both coordinating meetings and will be offered both in person as well as virtually via Google Meets. Different meeting times are offered for family convenience. Beginning in September, RJH will hold the following

- The first Tuesday of each month at 5:30 p.m. (prior to the PTO meeting at Rockdale Junior High)
- Coffee with the Principal, 2nd Wednesday of the month at 8:00 AM
- Brown Bag It with the Principal, 2nd Tuesday of the month at 1:15 PM

How to be involved

- Become a member of the RJH Engagement Team by attending monthly meetings to provide input
- Attend the meeting above and the family trainings/activities below
- Talk to your child's teacher about how to help/volunteer in the classroom via their classroom phone number or their email.
- If you do not know your child's teacher's classroom phone number or their email, contact the school office at 512.430.6100

Family Trainings/Activities

Family trainings are opportunities for family members to come learn new knowledge and skills from other parents, community members, and educators. The schedule and locations listed below are subject to change. Any changes made will be communicated via the call out system, emails, and on our school website.

- RJH 6th Grade Tiger Camp & Parent Orientation
 - Date & Time: Thursday, August 3rd, 5:00 PM
 - Location: Rockdale Junior High School (enter main entrance at 814 Bushdale Rd)
 - Other info:
- Open House
 - Date & Time: Tuesday, August 22nd, 5:00 PM
 - Location: Rockdale Junior High School (enter main entrance at 814 Bushdale Rd)
 - Other info:
- Moms vs Girls Volleyball Game & Wellness Event
 - Date & Time: September 14th
 - Location: Rockdale Junior High School
 - Other info: Health agencies will also be invited to share information with attendees
- Parent-Teacher Conferences
 - Date & Time: Friday, October 6th, 8:00 AM - 4:00 PM (Parents can sign up for a time to meet with individual teachers sometime between September 18th and October 5th)
 - Location: Rockdale Junior High School (enter main entrance at 814 Bushdale Rd)
 - Other info:
- RJH vs Cameron Pep Rally
 - Date & Time: Thursday, October 19th at 3:00 PM
 - Location: Rockdale Junior High School (enter main entrance at 814 Bushdale Rd)
 - Other info
- Trunk-or-Treat: Annual Title I Meeting
 - Dates & Times:
 - Monday, October 30th at 12:00 p.m. at RISD Conference Center (enter at 1205 Murray Avenue)
 - Tuesday, October 31st at 5:00 p.m. at Tiger Stadium Parking Lot
 - Other info: information is the same for both meetings
- SRO Presentation: Cybersafety and Your Student
 - Dates & Times:
 - Tuesday, November 14th, 5:30 PM
 - Wednesday, November 15th, 9:00 AM
 - Location: Rockdale Junior High School (enter main entrance at 814 Bushdale Rd)
 - Other info:
- Family Bookfair and Literacy Night
 - Dates & Times: Tuesday, December 5th
 - Location: Rockdale Junior High School (enter main entrance at 814 Bushdale Rd)

- Other info:

- January – May Trainings/Events will be announced via callout, email and on the website
 - Bond Construction Preview
 - STEM/Art Night
 - Spring Book Fair
 - Donkey Basketball Game

Please fill out this survey to help us meet your needs for other trainings. [2023-2024 Family Training Request Form](#)

Curriculum

Rockdale Junior High School utilizes high-quality curriculum that supports student success.

Forms of Academic Assessments

Rockdale Junior High School has common formative assessments that every teacher gives. No matter the teacher, each child is assessed via the same assessment, aligned with the TEKS Resource System, and modeled after the State of Texas Assessments of Academic Readiness or STAAR test. Previous STAAR tests are released and utilized for assessment and instruction in addition to other curriculums.

Expected Achievement levels on academic assessments

The State's Performance Standards can be found on this website: <https://tea.texas.gov/student-assessment/testing/taar/taar-performance-standards> Rockdale Junior High School tracks each child's growth throughout the year via local assessments (mentioned above).

Ways to Request regular meetings

Guardians can bring any suggestions, ideas, or concerns to the monthly parent meetings listed above. However, if they need to meet with the administrators or their child's teacher at another time, they can email that individual person, or call the campus office at 512.430.6100.

School-Parent Compact

The School's Responsibilities

- Provide high-quality curriculum and instruction focused on differentiation for the growth of every student.
- A plethora of opportunities for guardians and families to volunteer in the school and classrooms.
- Opportunities for guardians and families to participate in the decisions regarding the education and use of extracurricular time for their children.
- Hold an open mindset.
- Be team oriented.

The Guardian's Responsibilities

- Support their child's learning at home through dialog, homework, and setting a positive example.
- Participate in parent meetings where decisions regarding the education and use of extracurricular time will be discussed.
- Participate in parent meetings and trainings/activities when able.
- Hold an open mindset.
- Be team oriented.

The Student's Responsibilities

- Be open and honest when needing help regarding learning.
- Act appropriately and do not disrupt the learning environment.
- Strive to grow.
- Hold a growth mindset.
- Be team oriented.

On-Going Communication

- Parent-Teacher Conferences.
- Monthly parent meetings, trainings, and activities offered at different times on different days.
- Progress reports every three weeks.