

Wilton Elementary School

Parent and Family Engagement Policy

2023-2024

Wilton Elementary recognizes the value of family. We believe that families play an integral role in assisting in their child's learning and we recognize that in order to achieve our daily mission and our vision for our students, we must partner with parents and families of our students. We desire for and encourage families to be actively involved and serve as full partners. In order to strengthen our partnership, Wilton Elementary commits to the following:

- Involve families, in an organized, ongoing and timely way, in the planning, review and improvement of programs under Title I, Part A, including the planning, review and improvement of the school parent and family engagement policy and the joint development of the school improvement plan under Section 1114(b) of the Every Student Succeeds Act (ESSA).
- Update the school parent and family engagement policy periodically to meet the changing needs of families and the school, distribute it to families and to make it available to the local community.
- Provide full opportunities, the extent practicable, for the participation of families with limited English proficiency, families with disabilities, and families of migratory children. This includes providing information and school reports in an understandable and uniform format and, to the extent practicable, in language families can understand. For example, report cards are provided in both English and Spanish.
- Make available our School Improvement Plan to families and the community and document feedback from parents when presenting the plan to the School Board. Access to our School Improvement Plan can be found on our school website.
- An annual meeting will be held at the beginning of the school year at our Curriculum Night, in order to provide information about our school and our programs, including our Title I Program.
- During the school year, we will hold several family meetings at various times of the day. These meetings will provide information, ideas, materials, and activities for families to utilize at home with students to promote academic success. Parent resources or other services related to family engagement will be provided with available funds. Families unable to attend meetings will be given the opportunity to have materials sent home upon request. A calendar of events for the upcoming year is included at the end of this document.
- We will communicate with parents and families through various methods (letters, email, phone calls, and websites) in order to inform them of opportunities for involvement with the school.
- Teachers will communicate with families about student progress on a continuous basis through ongoing contacts, parent/teacher conferences, newsletters and other forms of written communication. Families will be informed of assessments used to guide instruction; proficiency levels/benchmarks students are expected to meet, and a description and explanation of the school curriculum.

Should you have any input/feedback on our Family Engagement Policy, please share with the school administration. As field trips, grade level specific parent activities, and other school-wide activities develop throughout the year, please reference the teacher newsletter and our school's webpage.