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## 4340 LAKEWOOD ELEMENTARY

### SCHOOL, PARENT AND FAMILY ENGAGEMENT POLICY

All check boxes marked in this policy indicate an assurance on the part of the school.

Type of Title I.A program

- Schoolwide  
 Targeted

- This school parent and family engagement policy is developed jointly with, distributed to, and agreed on with parents of participating children, including parents of migrant and EL children. *Section 1116 (b)(1)*

Describe how the school seeks and obtains the agreement of parents to the parent and family engagement policy.

Our Title plan will be shared with families via our monthly/weekly school newsletter, as well as through family involvement activities (Fall and Spring Title 1 Mtgs, family nights/events throughout the year, PTA meetings, etc.). Families will be asked to sign and return the Home-School Compact.

- Parents are notified of the policy in an understandable and uniform format. *Section 1116(b)(1)*
- The school parent and family engagement policy is provided in a language the parents can understand. *Section 1116(b)(1)*

#### POLICY INVOLVEMENT

- At the beginning of the school year, the school convenes an annual meeting, at a convenient time, to which all parents of participating children are invited and encouraged to attend. *Section 1116 (c)(1)*
- The agenda reflects that the purpose of the meeting is
- To inform parents of their school's participation in the Title I.A program
  - To explain the requirements of Title I.A
  - To explain the right of parents to be involved.
- Section 1116 (c)(1)*

The school offers a flexible number of meetings. *Section 1116 (c)(2)*

Using Title I.A funds, to promote parental involvement the school provides (check all that apply)

Transportation

Child care

Home visits

Funds will not be utilized for these purposes

*Section 1116 (c)(2)*

The school involves parents in an organized, ongoing, and timely way:

In the planning, review, and improvement of the Title I.A program and if applicable Schoolwide program plan in the school. *Section 1116 (c)(3)*

Describe how parents are involved in the planning, review, and improvement of the Title I.A program and if applicable Schoolwide program plan in the school.

A survey will be sent to families for input. A draft of the plan will be developed, then brought to families for feedback and input at the Fall Parent Meeting as well as via the monthly School News. The Home/School Compact will be sent home to families with a portion to sign and return to acknowledge it has been received. Input will be solicited when the plan is shared at the Fall parent meeting, as well as through PTA (multiple opportunities, both in larger and smaller settings).

The Title IA Schoolwide Program Plan is planned, reviewed & improvements are made during the Spring Title IA informational meeting. The Fall Meeting is when the Schoolwide Program plan improvements are impleted, updated and distributed.

In the planning, review, and improvement of the school parent and family engagement policy. *Section 1116 (c)(3)*

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The school provides parents of participating children:

Timely information about the Title I.A programs. *Section 1116 (c)(4)(A)*

Describe plans to provide information about the Title I.A programs.

The Home/School Compact will be sent home via paper copy as well as virtually to families with a portion to sign and return to acknowledge it has been received. Input will be solicited when the plan is shared at the Fall parent meeting, as well as through PTA (multiple opportunities, both in larger and smaller settings).

- A description and explanation of the curriculum in use at the school, the forms of academic assessments that are used to measure progress, and the achievement levels of the MAP assessment.

*Section 1116 (c)(4)(B)*

Describe methods and plans to provide a description and explanation of the curriculum, academic assessments, and MAP achievement levels.

A presentation will be developed that shares information about our school's academic progress, including MAP achievement levels as well as district benchmark data, and the curriculum and assessments we utilize, as well as our plan for how to continue to improve. This will be shared at a family involvement night in the Fall as well as during parent-teacher conferences, throughout the year at Title 1 family involvement events, and with our PTA. The slides and video from the presentation will be shared with families after the meeting in our monthly School News in the event they are unable to attend the in-person presentation opportunities.

- Opportunities, as appropriate, to participate in decisions relating to the education of their children. *Section 1116 (c)(4)(C)*

- Responses to their suggestions as soon as possible. *Section 1116 (c)(4)(C)*

## **SHARED RESPONSIBILITY FOR HIGH STUDENT ACHIEVEMENT**

### **School-Parent Compact**

The School-Parent Compact outlines how parents, the entire school staff, and students will share the responsibility for improved student academic achievement and the means by which the school and parents will build and develop a partnership to help children achieve the State's high standards. *Section 1116 (d)*

- The school jointly develops with parents of Title I.A served children the school-parent compact.

The school-parent compact will

- Describe the ways in which all parents will be responsible for supporting their children's learning. *Section 1116 (d)(1)*

- Be my child's advocate
- Partner with their teachers by developing positive relationships of respect and support
- Make learning a priority and value my role as my child's first teacher
- Make sure that my child comes to school ready to learn
- See that my child attends school regularly and arrives on time
- Support and encourage my child in making positive choices for behavior
- Read with my child and let my child see me read, write, and do math and science
- Find time daily to discuss what my child is learning and demonstrate support of my child's teacher
- Set and discuss high expectations with my child
- Celebrate my child's learning progress with them, both academic and socioemotional
- Support and participate in school organizations, programs, and activities
- Provide a quiet time and place for homework and monitor electronic use

Describe the school's responsibility to provide high-quality curriculum and instruction in a supportive and effective learning environment. *Section 1116 (d)(1)*

- Develop positive relationships of respect with each student and family
- Honor inclusion and listen to learn how we can improve and increase cultural awareness and learning in our classrooms.
- Develop strong classroom communities
- Create systems to support each student's learning experiences, whether for additional support or enrichment
- Teach students skills to process and support their socio-emotional development
- Work together as collaborative Professional Learning Teams (PLT) to ensure equitable experiences in each classroom
- Provide clear feedback and celebrate learning progress and goals met with students and our grade level PLT
- Create and utilize a school wide Positive Behavior Support system to reinforce positive behavior of students
- Partner with our community to provide real-world relevant learning experiences for our students and celebrate academic and socioemotional growth

Addresses the importance of communication between teachers and parents on an ongoing basis through, at a minimum

- Conducting parent-teacher conferences at least annually, during which the compact shall be discussed
- Issuing frequent reports to parents on their children's progress
- Providing reasonable access to staff, opportunities to volunteer, and observation of classroom activities
- Ensuring regular two-way, meaningful communication between family members and school staff, and, in a language that family members can understand

## BUILDING CAPACITY FOR INVOLVEMENT

To ensure effective involvement of parents and to support a partnership among the school, parents, and the community to improve student academic achievement, the school

- Provides assistance to parents, as appropriate, in understanding
  - o the Missouri Learning Standards,
  - o the Missouri Assessment Program,
  - o local assessments,
  - o how to monitor a child's progress, and
  - o how to work with educators to improve the achievement of their children.

*Section 1116 (e)(1)*

Describe plans to provide assistance.

Through fall parent teacher conferences, teachers will help families to understand the learning expectations set for their child and their child's progress with these expectations. We also hold a spring student-led learning showcase where students share their goals, growth, and progress with their families, and teachers are available to assist with questions/guidance for parents. We will also continue to share expectations by content area at family Title 1 events throughout the school year and by communication via the teacher to families after academic benchmarking periods.

- Provides materials and training to help parents work with their children to improve achievement. *Section 1116 (e)(2)*

Describe plans to provide materials and training.

We provide materials to parents through fall and spring parent teacher conferences, and also plan to hold literacy, math/STEM, culture, and Positive Behavior Support/SEL themed family events where families will learn how to support their child with learning activities, strategies, and common language from home.

- Educates teachers, specialized instructional support personnel, principals, and other school leaders, and other staff, with the assistance of parents, in the value and utility of contributions of parents, and in how to reach out to, communicate with, and work with parents as equal partners, implement and coordinate parent programs, and build ties between parents and the school. *Section 1116 (e)(3)*

Describe plans to educate school personnel regarding working with parents.

We will integrate professional development around building positive relationships/communication with families next year, and our Building Leadership Team will continue to help serve as leaders in our school around our equity goal of improving family involvement through inclusion/participation by all families.

To ensure effective involvement of parents and to support a partnership among the school, parents, and the community to improve student academic achievement, the school

- To the extent feasible and appropriate, coordinates and integrates parent involvement programs and activities with other Federal, State, and local programs, including public preschool programs, and conducts other

activities, such as parent resource centers, that encourage and support parents in more fully participating in the education of their children. *Section 1116 (e)(4)*

Describe plans to coordinate and integrate.

We will continue to share NKC Schools' Early Childhood screening/program information in our weekly/monthly School News (a monthly virtual newsletter in which more frequent updates are added and shared as needed via School Messenger several times monthly) to ensure our families are aware of the PreK program and resources that are available to them.

We will also share parent resources that are made available to us through participation in BIST (i.e. last year there were virtual trainings/information sessions offered for families of participating BIST schools. We contract with BIST through our Title 1 funds, so this opportunity was made available to our families).

- Ensures that information related to school and parent programs, meetings, and other activities is sent to the parents of participating children in a format and, in a language the parents can understand. *Section 1116 (e)(5)*
- Provides reasonable support for parental involvement activities under this section as parents may request. *Section 1116 (e)(14)*

### Optional additional assurances

To ensure effective involvement of parents and to support a partnership among the school, parents, and the community to improve student academic achievement, the school: (optional; check if applicable)

- Involves parents in the development of training for teachers, principals, and other educators to improve the effectiveness of parent involvement training. *Section 1116 (e)(6)*
- Provides necessary literacy training from Title I funds if the local educational agency has exhausted all other reasonably available sources of funding for literacy training. *Section 1116 (e)(7)*
- Pays reasonable and necessary expenses associated with local parental involvement activities, including transportation and child care costs, to enable parents to participate in school-related meetings and training sessions. *Section 1116 (e)(8)*
- Trains parents to enhance the involvement of other parents. *Section 1116 (e)(9)*
- Arranges school meetings at a variety of times, or conducts in-home conferences between teachers or other educators, who work directly with participating children, with parents who are unable to attend conferences at school, in order to maximize parental involvement and participation. Adopts and implements model approaches to improving parental involvement. *Section 1116 (e)(10)*
- May adopt and implement model approaches to improving parental involvement. *Section 1116 (e)(11)*
- Establishes a districtwide parent advisory council to provide advice on all matters related to parental involvement in Title I programs. *Section 1116 (e)(12)*
- May develop appropriate roles for community-based organizations and businesses in parent involvement activities. *Section 1116 (e)(13)*

### ACCESSIBILITY

In carrying out the parent and family engagement requirements of the Title I program, the school, to the extent practicable,

- Provides opportunities for the informed participation of parents and family members, including:

- Parent and family members who have limited English proficiency.
- Parent and family members with disabilities.
- Parent and family members of migratory children.

Provides information and school reports in a format and, in a language parents understand. *Section 1116 (f)*

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