



**OAKLAND UNIFIED
SCHOOL DISTRICT**

Community Schools, Thriving Students

Title I, Part A School Parent and Family Engagement Policy

All Title I schools will jointly develop a written parent and family engagement policy with input from and distribution to all parents and family members. This policy describes the means for carrying out designated Title I, Part A parent and family engagement requirements.

Laurel

agrees to implement the following engagement practices, in keeping with Oakland Unified School District's Standards for Meaningful Family Engagement:

OUSD Family Engagement Standard 1: Parent/Caregiver Education Program

Families are supported with parenting and child-rearing skills, understanding child and adolescent development, and setting home conditions that support children as students at each age and grade level.

The school provides parents with assistance in understanding the state's academic content standards, assessments, and how to monitor and improve the achievement of their children by:

- Laurel offers parents the opportunity to conference with teachers throughout the year. We have two formal conference times scheduled, at the end of the 1st trimester and the end of the 2nd trimester.

The school supports a partnership among staff, parents, and the community to improve student academic achievement and engage parents in meaningful interactions with the school by:

- Laurel has an active School Site Council that meets monthly to discuss the Single Plan for Student Achievement. Parents will have the opportunity to review student performance data and create a plan to support student achievement.

OUSD Family Engagement Standard 2: Communication with Parents and Caregivers

Families and school staff engage in regular, two-way, meaningful communication about student learning.

The school communicates to families about the School Parent and Family Engagement Policy by:

- Convening an annual meeting, at a convenient time, to which all parents shall be invited and encouraged to attend, to inform parents of their school's participation in Title I, Part A and to explain the program requirements and the right of parents to be involved.
- Present the plan to the Laurel Parent Teacher Association and offer opportunities for input.

The school communicates to families about the school's Title I, Part A programs by:

- The schools' Title 1 plan will be presented at our annual Title 1 meeting

- The school communicates to families about the curriculum used at the school, the assessments used to measure student progress, and the proficiency levels students are expected to meet by scheduling parent meetings at least twice each school year.
- The school will hold monthly parent support meetings to cover a range of topics that include information on the curriculum being used and the different assessments that are used to measure student progress.

The school distributes information related to school and parent programs, meetings, school reports, and other activities to parents in a format and language that the parents understand by:

- A school newsletter will go home monthly describing the different events happening at the school during the month. Messages will be translated into all 3 major languages spoken at the school.

OUSD Family Engagement Standard 3: Parent Volunteering Program

Families are actively involved as volunteers and audiences at the school or in other locations to support students and school programs.

The school provides opportunities for families to volunteer in classrooms and other school activities by:

- The school welcomes volunteers. Parents and community members are encouraged to come to the office to receive a copy of the Volunteer Protocol and Guidelines as well as to learn where the volunteer opportunities exist.
- Parent Volunteer activities will be coordinated by our Community School Manager.

OUSD Family Engagement Standard 4: Learning at Home

Families are involved with their children in learning activities at home, including homework and other curriculum-linked activities and decisions.

The school provides parents with materials and training to help them work with their children to improve their children's achievement by:

- The school will hold monthly parent support meetings to cover a range of topics that include information on the curriculum being used and the different assessments that are used to measure student progress.

OUSD Family Engagement Standard 5: Shared Power and Decision Making

Families and school staff are equal partners in decisions that affect children and families and together inform, influence, and create policies, practices, and programs.

With the assistance of parents, the school educates staff members in the value of parent contributions, and in how to work with parents as equal partners by:

- The school will hold monthly parent support meetings to cover a range of topics that include information on the curriculum being used and the different assessments that are used to measure student progress.
- The school provides opportunities for regular meetings with a flexible schedule that allows parents to participate in decisions relating to the education of their children by hosting School Site Council meetings monthly and Subcommittee for English Language Learner meetings every other month.. The school will hold meetings at different times and on different days of the week to accommodate parent schedules.
- The school will schedule parent teacher conferences twice each year based on parent availability.

The school involves parents in an organized, ongoing, and timely way, in the planning, review, and improvement of the school's Title I, Part A programs and the School Parent and Family Engagement Policy by:

- Laurel's School Site Council will meet monthly to review students performance data and create a plan for student achievement.

The school provides opportunities for the participation of all parents, including parents with limited English proficiency, parents with disabilities, and parents of migratory students, by:

- Laurel's Subcommittee for English Language Learners (SELL) will meet every other month to review performance data or English Language Learners and create a plan for their achievement.

The school provides support for parent and family engagement activities requested by parents by:

- Laurel Culture Climate Leadership Team will meet monthly to discuss school culture climate and provide families with opportunities to participate in the planning of parent engagement activities.

OUSD Family Engagement Standard 6: Community Collaboration and Resources

Coordinate resources and services for families, students, and the school with businesses, agencies, and other groups, and provide services to the community.

The school coordinates and integrates the Title I, Part A parent and family engagement program with other programs and activities, such as parent resource centers, to encourage and support parents in more fully participating in the education of their children by:

- Laurel's School Site Council will meet monthly to review students performance data, create a plan for student achievement and monitor the plan to ensure implementation.

Adoption

This policy was jointly developed and adopted by Laurel on 8/22/2024 and will be in effect for the period 8/12/24 through 5/29/25.

The school will distribute this policy to all parents on or before September 22, 2024.

**Name of Principal
John Stangl**

**Signature of Principal
*John Stangl***

Date 08/22/2024

Please attach the School-Parent Compact to this document.