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Parent Engagement Policy

Knik Charter teachers will use assessment results to inform instruction, interventions, and enrichment for each student. KCS will also strive to encourage parents to participate in district and state assessments, and to use assessment as a tool to guide the instruction of their children. Teachers/Advisors will establish the importance of participation in these assessments during ILP meetings, progress monitoring meetings and grade conferences. The principal reminds parents, during new family orientations, of the importance of assessments in informing instruction and making appropriate curriculum modifications. The principal will present assessment data to the APC and community on an annual basis. The school recognizes the authority of a parent and will allow a parent to object to and withdraw the child from a standards-based assessment or test required by the state.

KCS will use assessment results to help inform overall programmatic decisions as well as utilizing the data to drive instruction and assist in curriculum selection. KCS will work with families to optimize school attendance and to support learning opportunities for students who are out of school for cultural activities. KCS also recognizes the need to work in partnership with parents to optimize instruction and to make appropriate curriculum changes. KCS will also offer parents the opportunity to schedule onsite reading and math tutoring.

Families in the school are encouraged to play an active role in the school community supporting all educational endeavors. Certified and classified staff will communicate through an interactive school website, frequent emails, texts, and phone calls. All families will be encouraged to attend and participate in Academic Policy Committee Meetings.

It is an expectation that parents contribute to the school community and their students' learning goals. Parents sign a parent compact agreement stating their willingness to comply with these expectations. Volunteer and attendance records are kept logging parental engagement. We also expect to have family engagement at conferences, programs, celebrations, and special projects.