

H. W. LANG SR. MIDDLE SCHOOL 2021-2022 PARENT INVOLVEMENT POLICY

A strong home-school connection is critical for the positive achievement of students at Harold W. Lang Sr. Middle School. We are committed to open and Clear communication in English and Spanish. All parents are given the opportunity to participate in their child's education in ways listed in this document.

Communication and Student Learning

• Fall/Spring Parent Teacher Conferences

 Parent conference nights are held twice a year, in the fall and spring on designated days as posted on the district calendar. These conferences provide a scheduled opportunity for parents to meet with their child's teacher to share information and make plans related to their educational progress, accomplishments, and needs.

• Individual Parent Conferences

 Parents may contact teachers/administrators to schedule individual conferences during teacher planning periods or before/after school.

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- Report Card, Parent Portal, Special Notices, Emails, and School Messenger
 - Report cards are posted to Powerschool Parent Portal
 https://dallasisd.powerschool.com/public/home.html at the end of each nine-week grading period. The district calendar is also available on the DISD web site at www.dallasisd.org.
 - Parents are also encouraged to stay connected to the campus via:
 - Lang school website (https://www.dallasisd.org/lang)
 - Remind App: text @khb994 to 81010 (for immediate and urgent updates)

School Messenger

Social Media: (Lang Twitter: @lang_hw) (Lang Instagram: @haroldwlangms)

Volunteers:

• As a safety precaution, at the current moment, volunteers are not allowed to visit our campus at this time (including mentors, college representatives, guest speakers, etc.) unless prior approval has been granted by Ms. Lyons.

- All visitors will be subject to screening by way of a symptom screening form before entering Harold W. Lang Sr. Middle School.
- Approved partnerships that provide direct student contact or specific district function may not visit more than one campus per day.

School Decision-Making and Community Collaboration

Site Based-Decision Making Committee (SBDM)

- The SBDM is an advisory committee.
- Members are elected and appointed to serve on this committee.
- The meetings are scheduled 4 times during the school year.

Parent Teacher Organization (PTO)

• The H. W. Lang Sr. MS **parent-teacher organization** (**PTO**) is a formal organization composed of parents, teachers and staff that is intended to facilitate parental participation in a school. The overall purpose of the PTO is to make every child's potential a reality by engaging and empowering families and communities to advocate for all children. Every person who joins a local PTO automatically becomes a member of The Harold W. Lang MS PTO. PTO is membership-based and uses money from dues to offer staff support, grants and assist in student progress throughout the school.