

Park Crest Middle School Parental Involvement Plan 2023-2024

Greetings Pumas,

We are committed to working together with you to provide the best education for our children. Please review our current Parental Involvement Plan. We encourage and need your input in making Park Crest Middle School (PCMS) the best it can be. Thank you for staying involved in your child's education. We look forward to a successful year. If you have any questions, please call Park Crest Middle School at (512) 594-2400.

Statement of Purpose:

The faculty and staff of Park Crest Middle School is dedicated to providing a quality education for all students and to recognize the essential role of parents and the value of their input.

Goal 1: Provide parents with the opportunity to have input in the Parental Involvement Plan at the PfISD district level and Park Crest Middle School level.

Strategies

- Provide parents with a copy of the Park Crest Middle School's school-parent involvement plan via the principal's blog, school website <http://www.pfisd.net/Domain/15> and front office.
- Provide parents with opportunities to give input and suggestions for revision of the district or school plan.
- Provide parents with a copy of the district's parental involvement plan via the Park Crest Middle School's website and front office.

Goal 2: Provide outreach for parents of limited English proficiency (EL) students so they can be involved in their child's education.

Strategies

- Follow the district EL Plan to assess possible EL students and communicate with parents regarding this process.
- Coordinate with various agencies and utilize campus resources to assist parents of EL students.
- Provide, whenever possible, pertinent school information in the parents' native language.

Goal 3: Provide an opportunity for parents and their children's school to jointly develop a School-Parent Compact that is to be implemented annually and includes: the Park Crest Middle School's responsibility to provide high-quality curriculum and instruction in a supportive and effective learning environment; the way in which each parent will be responsible for supporting their child's learning; and strategies that will address the importance of ongoing communication between teachers and parents.

Strategies

- Communicate transparently regarding events, activities, and important information through the Principal's Blog, campus website, social media, the campus marquee, and community functions.
- Routinely work to identify and welcome new and existing parents and guardians who are not yet connected to the weekly blog to join.
- Clearly explain the mission, vision, goals, and strategies PCMS has for continuous improvement always, in all ways.
- Provide opportunities to review the Compact with parents during parent meetings.
- Create a guide for parents to better navigate and understand Park Crest Middle School.
- Provide two-way communication with parent/guardian and child concerning "what" students should learn and know at grade level and "how" to engage parents in child's education.
- Communicate with parents/guardians regularly on ways to help their child learn and seek resources and assistance for a child who is struggling with learning or having difficulty in school.
- Communicate with parents regarding topics they would like to learn more about in order to better support their students.
- Expect and challenge all students to learn at rigorous, high levels of thinking and make connections with learning to real world applications.

Goal 4: Provide notice and information under the "Parents Right to Know" requirements to all parents in Title I schools, in an understandable and uniform format and, to the extent practicable, in a language parents can understand.

Strategies

- Provide each parent with a copy of the student progress report and report card.
- Notify parents, via a letter, if their teacher or paraprofessionals in their child's classroom are not highly qualified.
- Encourage each parent to verify their child's teachers certification via www.sbec.com

Goal 5: Provide opportunities for parental involvement capacity building at the district and school levels.

Strategies

- Provide reminders through weekly listserv, blogs, and website to promote parental involvement.

- Provide activities at a variety of times.
- Conduct at minimum an annual parent survey requesting parental input.
- Provide assistance to parents in understanding such topics as the Texas Essential Knowledge and Skills and state and local assessments including the PSAT 8/9 and State of Texas Assessment of Academic Readiness (STAAR).
- Provide description and explanation of the curriculum in use at school and the proficiency levels children are expected to meet.
- Convene at minimum an annual meeting to inform parents of their school's participation in the Title I Program and its requirements.
- Create an electronic calendar to include important dates and events that can be referenced anytime at school or home.
- Counselors schedule evening appointments to discuss important transition to high school schedules with parents
- Parent Nights (SED Annual meeting, open house, cultural experiences, Learning Management System training, etc.)
- Encourage parents to stay connected to the learning in the classroom by consistently checking classroom lesson plans available online at www.pfisd.net/pcms.