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San Elizario ISD High-Quality PK Family Engagement Plan

Family engagement is the mutual responsibility of families, schools, and the community to build relationships that support student learning and achievement. Family engagement supports family well-being and the continuous learning and development of children, families, and educators. Family engagement is fully integrated into the child's educational experience, supports the whole child, and is both culturally responsive and linguistically appropriate.

Family engagement during the first years of life can support a preschool child's readiness for school and ongoing academic and lifelong success. Research shows that when children have involved parents, the results are very positive, especially over the long term.

According to the Texas Education Agency, the goal of the High-Quality Pre-Kindergarten Grant Program is to: "provide districts with an opportunity to expand or enhance high-quality prekindergarten programs for qualifying students." As mentioned above, a major component of expanding and enhancing any education program is a high-quality family engagement design.

Family Engagement Goal	Strategies
1. Facilitate family-to-family support	• Facilitate an environment where families can feel safe and respected • Establish regular and meaningful communication between school and home (daily folder home with expectations and student work.) Communicate through Class dojo app, electronic monthly family newsletter and campus website. • Social events for families to connect, such as Cultural events, Book Fairs, Open House and Parent-Teachers conferences where students can meet the teacher and explore their classroom and learning environment, volunteering, class parties, field trips. • Math/Science and/or Family Literacy monthly sessions which facilitate family-to-family interactions and networking.

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	• Coffee with the Principal to foster positive home/school relationships • District-wide events such as Mission: Progressing Together meetings • Meetings to recruit for volunteers.
2. Establish a network of community resources	• Provide families with community resources from Region 19 • Continue partnerships with Child Find and the ECI program • Provide translators and culturally relevant resources in Spanish when needed • Social Worker assistance for short-term family guidance and needs • Community agency visits and speakers to share resources with families and promote safety and overall well-being
3. Increase family participation in decision-making	• Development, adopt, and implement goals within the annual campus improvement plan targeting family engagement • Provide opportunities for parents to be involved and have a voice: Campus/District site-based decision committee; School/Home Compact • District Health Advisory Council • Parent/Teacher conferencing • LPAC parent representation • Foster comfortable open dialog between families and school by utilizing all available resources and means of communication: ○ Daily communication logs ○ Social Media ○ Parent/Teacher conferences ○ Phone calls ○ Email ○ Class DOJO app
4. Equip families with tools to enhance and extend learning	• San Elizario ISD offers a high-quality full-day PK program to eligible learners,

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	enhancing and extending socialization and facilitating parent involvement for Pre-K families • CLI Parent Page so that parents can access activities, online learning, and developmental milestones • Frog Street/Scholastic curriculum • Campus newsletters • Events for parents to attend to assist in promoting and encouraging learning such as Open House/Parent Conference nights, Book Fairs, award/reward events, and monthly family literacy sessions with their children.
5. Develop staff skills in evidence-based practices that support families in meeting their children's learning benchmarks	• Parent/Teacher Conferences • All Pre-K teachers will attend professional development in areas such as: ○ CLI Engage Teacher Resources ○ Early Childhood and PK workshops through Region 19 ○ San Elizario ISD local professional development
6. Evaluate family engagement efforts and use results for continuous improvement	• Promote Pre-K parent's and teachers' feedback through communication logs, phone calls, and student progress monitoring data for BOY, MOY, and EOY results • Parent/Principal events • Family engagement events/activities • Teacher reflection on curriculum, strategies, and practices • Make the end-of-year survey available in multiple forms to collect feedback from families • Keep a record of family participation/attendance in school events • Log communications with families

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Conclusion:

The San Elizario Independent School District HQPK Family Engagement Plan is used to guide collaborative success. The positive relationships between the staff and families that San Elizario ISD promotes through the HQPK Family Engagement plan, help build a shared understanding of how we can work together to ensure every child will reach their full potential, from birth to kindergarten and beyond.