



ROY W. BROWN MIDDLE SCHOOL

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Roy W. Brown Middle School TITLE I School Parent & Family Engagement Policy

Title I, Part A regulations require that each school served under Title I, Part A jointly develop with and distribute to parents of participating children, a written involvement policy agreed on by the parents that describes the requirements of the Elementary and Secondary Education Act (ESEA) section 1116. Parent and Family Engagement (c) through (f) as listed below:

C. Policy Involvement - Each school served under this part shall —

1. Convene an annual meeting, at a convenient time, to which all parents of participating children shall be invited and encouraged to attend, to inform parents of their school's participation under this part and to explain the requirements of this part, and the right of the parents to be involved;
 - Roy W. Brown Middle School will hold its Title 1 meeting after our Open House on Thursday, September 12, 2024, at 8:00pm in our auditorium. Parents whose children meet the criteria for the Title I programming are encouraged to attend.
 - Parents who are unable to attend the scheduled Title 1 meeting are encouraged to contact the building principal and/or guidance counselor at any time with ideas, questions, suggestions and input. This can take place as a phone conference, email, personal meetings, or any other appropriate option.
2. Offer a flexible number of meetings, such as meetings in the morning or evening, and may provide, with funds provided under this part, transportation, child care, or home visits, as such services relate to parent and family engagement;
 - Parent input regarding Title I program and services will be solicited during the Title I parent meeting and regularly scheduled Parents' Association meetings
 - Data on academic progress will be collected throughout the school year and presented to stakeholders on a regular basis, through building principal presentations at faculty and parent association meetings
 - Presentations will be shared via Google Slide and/or video conferencing at the request of the parent
3. Involve parents, in an organized, ongoing, and timely way, in the planning, review, and improvement of programs under this part, including the planning, review, and improvement of the school parent and family engagement policy;
 - Parent input regarding Title 1 program and services will be solicited during the Title 1 parent meeting
 - Parents of children who participate in the program are encouraged to contact the building principal and/or guidance counselor with any questions, concerns or suggestions they have regarding the Title 1 program and services at any time
4. Provide parents of participating children —

(A) Timely information about programs under this part;

(B) A description and explanation of the curriculum in use at the school, the forms of academic assessment used to measure student progress, and the achievement levels students are expected to meet regarding the challenging State academic standards; and

(C) if requested by parents, opportunities for regular meetings to formulate suggestions and to participate, as appropriate, in decisions relating to the education of their children, and respond to any such suggestions as soon as practicably possible.

- Encourage monitoring of our Infinite Campus online resource for attendance, grades and other school-related information
- Provide and deliver quarterly progress reports, report cards and parent/teacher conferences
- Share our Program of Studies on our school website

5. If the Annual School Plan (schoolwide program plan) is not satisfactory to the parents of participating children, submit any parent comments on the Annual School Plan (ASP) when the school makes the plan available to the local educational agency.

- Parent input for the plan is shared at the Title 1 meeting and is relayed and taken into consideration in making revisions.
- Parents may submit written refusal regarding participation in the Title 1 programming.

D. Shared Responsibilities for High Student Academic Achievement-

As a component of the school-level parent and family engagement policy, each school shall jointly develop with parents for all children served under this part a school-parent compact that outlines how parents, the entire school staff, and students will share the responsibility for improved student academic achievement.

- The parent compact will be made available on the district and school website

E. Building Capacity for Involvement-

To ensure effective involvement of parents and to support a partnership among the school involved, parents, and the community to improve student academic achievement, each school and local educational agency assisted under this part —

1. Shall provide assistance to parents of children served by the school or local educational agency, as appropriate, in understanding such topics as the challenging State academic standards, State and local academic assessments, the requirements of this part, and how to monitor a child's progress and work with educators to improve the achievement of their children;

- Formal presentation of school test results when available at our regularly scheduled parents' association meetings
- Annual district testing reports presented at a Board of Education meeting and made available on our district website

2. Shall provide materials and training to help parents to work with their children to improve their children's achievement, such as literacy training and using technology, as appropriate, to foster parent and family engagement;
 - Parents are provided with information academic progress on the Infinite Campus Parent Portal, Google Classroom and parent/teacher conferences
3. Shall educate teachers, pupil services personnel, principals, other school leaders, and other staff, with the assistance of parents, in the value and utility of contributions of parents, and in how to reach out to, communicate with, and work with parents as equal partners, implement and coordinate parent programs, and build ties between parents and the school;
 - Provide comprehensive quarterly grade reports to accurately present student growth in a formal manner.
 - Maintain ongoing communication between the staff and parents via phone or email, to discuss progress and strategies for improvement.
4. Shall, to the extent feasible and appropriate, coordinate and integrate parent involvement programs and activities with Head Start, the Home Instruction Programs for Preschool Youngsters, the Parents as Teachers Program, and public preschool and other programs, and conduct other activities, such as parent resource centers, that encourage and support parents in more fully participating in the education of their children;
 - Attendance at Title I parent meetings
 - Attendance at school PA meetings
5. Shall ensure that information related to school and parent programs, meetings, and other activities is sent to the parents of participating children in a format and, to the extent practicable, in a language the parents can understand;
 - Information pertaining to Title 1 programs is posted on the school website
 - Letters emailed home related to program opportunities available to students
 - Announcements of meetings posted daily on the Infinite Campus Portal
6. May involve parents in the development of training for teachers, principals, and other educators to improve the effectiveness of such training;
7. May provide necessary literacy training from funds received under this part if the local educational agency has exhausted all other reasonably available sources of funding for such training;
8. May pay reasonable and necessary expenses associated with local parent and family engagement activities, including transportation and child care costs, to enable parents to participate in school-related meetings and training sessions;
9. May train parents to enhance the involvement of other parents;
10. May arrange school meetings at a variety of times, or conduct in-home conferences between teachers or other educators, who work directly with participating children, with parents who are unable to attend such conferences at school, in order to maximize parent and family engagement and participation;
11. May adopt and implement model approaches to improving parent and family engagement;
12. May establish a district wide parent advisory council to provide advice on all matters related to parent and family engagement in programs supported under this section;
13. May develop appropriate roles for community-based organizations and businesses in parent and family engagement activities; and
14. Shall provide such other reasonable support for parent and family engagement activities under this section as parents may request.
 - Provide translation services for meetings and parent conferences when necessary

- Provide parents with resources and program information related to English Language Acquisition
- Develop a mechanism for parent input for those who are unable to attend meetings

F. Accessibility –

In carrying out the parent and family engagement requirements of this part, districts and schools, to the extent practicable, shall provide full opportunities for the participation of parents of children with limited English proficiency, parents of children with disabilities, and parents of migratory children, including providing information and school reports required in a format and, to the extent practicable, in a language such parents can understand.

- All information is made accessible to parents, regardless of ELL or Special Education enrollment. Information is made available to ELLs through the website translation, Spanish versions letters mailed home, and with the help of translators at meetings and conferences.