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### 2023-2024 Horizon High School Parent and Family Engagement Policy

**Every Student Succeeds Act Section 1116** 

### Mission Statement

The mission of the Clint Independent School District is to prepare all students to be successful citizens. The District will work in partnership with the community and the family to create opportunities for the student to maximize their personal potential.

### Annual Goals

- 1. The District will be a model of high standards for student academic excellence.
- 2. The District will ensure a safe well-disciplined positive learning environment for all students.
- 3. The District will operate efficiently being fiscally responsible.
- The District will become the employer of choice in order to seek and retain effective personnel.
- 5. The District will include parents, community, and business members in the education of all students.

Clint Independent School District will be governed by the following statutory definition of parent and family engagement:

Parent and family engagement are defined as the participation of parents and family members in a regular, two-way and meaningful communication involving student academic learning and other school activities, including ensuring:

- > Parents play an integral role in assisting their child's learning.
- > Parent are encouraged to be actively involved in their child's education.
- > Parents are full partners in their child's education and are included, as appropriate, in decision-making and on advisory committees to assist in the education of their child.

In support to improve student academic excellence, Clint ISD has developed this parent and family engagement policy that establishes the district's expectations for parental involvement and guides the strategies and resources that will strengthen school and parent partnerships. This policy will describe Clint ISD commitment to engage families in the education of their children and to build the capacity of its schools to implement family engagement strategies and activities outlined in the Campus Improvement Plan (CIP) and in the District Improvement Plan (DIP) to help achieve student academic excellence.

1. Horizon High School shall jointly develop with, and distribute to, parents and family members of participating children a written parent and family engagement policy, agreed on by such parents, that shall describe the means for carrying out the requirements of ESSA Section 1116 subsections (c) through (f). Parents shall be notified of the policy in an understandable and uniform format and, to the extent practicable, provided in a language the parents can understand. Such policy shall be made available to the local community and updated periodically to meet the changing needs of parents and the school. Section 1116 (b)(1) & (e)(5)

#### Our School will:

- Convene an annual meeting at a time of convenient for parents and family members of participating student
- > All parent and family members shall be invited and encouraged to attend.

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- > The school will provide information and explain the requirements of Title I and the rights of parents.
- > Offer a flexible number of meetings and may provide with Title I funds, transportation, childcare, or home visits, as such service related to parent and family engagement.
- > Workshops for parents.
- > Ways of participation for parents inside and outside of school.
- 2. Horizon High School shall 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; Section 1116 (c)(1)

#### Our School will:

- ➤ Hold our annual meeting in the fall, September 27, 2023 and in the spring, February 14, 2024.
- > Will send out notification and initiations to these meetings via email, phone calls, peach jar and text message.
- > The meetings will be put together and run jointly by campus administration.
- Provide parents and family members reasonable access to staff. Specifically, staff will be available for consultation with teachers, counselors and administration.
- 3. Horizon High School shall offer a flexible number of meetings, such as meetings in the morning or evening, and may provide, with funds provided under this part, transportation, childcare, or home visits, as such services relate to parental involvement (in order to provide these activities, they must be addressed in the Campus Needs Assessment and the Campus Improvement Plan); Section 1116 (c)(2)

Our school will provide parents and family members reasonable access to staff. Specifically, staff will be available for consultation with parents as follow:

- Before and after class
- Previously made appointments (24 hours prior notice given)
- Phone calls
- ➤ E-mails
- 4. Horizon High School shall 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 and the joint development of the schoolwide program plan under section 1114(b) (Campus Improvement Plan), except that if a school has in place a process for involving parents in the joint planning and design of the school's programs, the school may use that process, if such process includes an adequate representation of parents of participating children this could include the site base committee; Section 1116 (c)(3)

Our school will engage parents in an organized ongoing process, and include them in the planning, review, and

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Improvement of Title I programs.

- This should include the planning, review, and improvement of the school parent and family engagement.
- > Parents will be included in an ongoing manner in the development, planning and review of parent and family engagement activities.
- > Provide parents and family members of participating student:
  - Timely information about the Title I programs
  - Description and explanation of the curriculum at the school, the forms of academic assessment used to check on student progress
  - Measure student progress, and the proficiency levels students are expected to meet
  - Opportunities for regular meetings to formulate suggestions and to participate, as appropriate, in decisions relating to the education of their student
  - Provide each parent time notice information regarding the professional qualifications of the student's classroom teachers and paraprofessionals
  - Parent notices will be sent in a timely manner
- 5. Horizon High School shall provide parents of participating children—
  - (A) send information about programs or activities under this part with enough time this way parents and family can plan to assist;
  - (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 of 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;

Section 1116 (c)(4)

#### Our school will

- > Send out notifications via email, phone calls, announcements on our website, and Peach Jar to inform parents about our programs and activities.
- Activities will include but are not limited to:
- > Meet the Principal
- > Parent / Teacher Night
- ➤ Meet the Teacher
- ➤ EOC Information Night
- > FAFSA Night
- 6. If the Campus Improvement Plan (CIP) under section 1114(b) is not satisfactory to the parents of participating children, submit any parent comments on the plan when the school makes the plan available to the district staff responsible for the CIP. Section 1116 (c)(5)

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- > Hold joint parent meetings to discuss and create the Campus Improvement Plan
- > Create a team to include parents to have input in the creation of the Campus Improvement Plan
- Assign a campus administrator, assistant principal, to be in charge of disseminating and delivering the feedback from parents to the principal to present to the leadership team during the Campus Improvement Plan quarterly meetings.
- 7. To ensure effective involvement of parents and to support a partnership among the school involved, parents, and the community to improve student academic achievement, shall: <u>Section 1116 (e)</u>
  - (i) provide information to parents of children served by the school, 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 how to work with educators to improve the achievement of their children; Section 1116 (e)(1)

Our school will provide assistance to parents in understanding such topics as:

- > Texas academic content standards
- > Texas student academic achievement standards
- > Texas and local academic assessments including alternate assessments
- ➢ How to monitor their student's progress
- > How to work with educators to improve the achievement of their student
- > College and Career Readiness
- > Scholarships and Financial Aid Night
- > Present, with the help of parents, the value and utility of contributions of parents
- > Ensure all parents are invited and encouraged to participate in various committees / activities
- > Coordinate and integrate parental and family engagement programs and activities that teach parents how to help their student at home
- (ii) 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 (including education about the harms of copyright piracy), as appropriate, to foster parental involvement; <u>Section 1116 (e)(2)</u>

Our school will

- > Provide presenters for parents
- > Utilize materials appropriate for parental presentations
- (iii) educate teachers, specialized instructional support personnel, principals, and 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; Section 1116 (e)(3)

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- > Send out invitations and information on campus, district and region based Professional Development for PFE.
- > Ensure that parents are given the opportunity to develop trainings at any and all parent and family engagement activities.
- (iv) to the extent feasible and appropriate, coordinate and integrate parent involvement programs and activities with other Federal, State, and local programs, including public preschool 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:

Section 1116 (e)(4)

### Our school will

- Coordinate and integrate Parent and Family Engagement with the programs such as:
- > ESL meet the teacher
- Open House
- > Meet the Principal
- > Senior meet the Counselor
- > P-TECH Introduction Meetings
- (v) provide such other reasonable support for parental involvement activities as parents may request. <u>Section</u> 1116 (e)(14)

Our school will provide assistance to parents in understanding such topics as:

- > Texas' academic content standards
- > Texas' student academic achievement standards
- > Texas' and local academic assessments including alternate assessments
- > How to monitor their student's progress
- > How to work with educators to improve the achievement of their student
- > College and Career Readiness
- Scholarships and Financial Aid Night

The Horizon High School parent and family engagement policy has been developed/revised jointly with, and agreed upon with parents of participating children and school staff on May 25, 2023, as evidenced by meeting minutes, and will be in effect for the period of the 2023 2024 school year. The school policy and school-parent-student compact will be distributed to all parents of participating children during both Open House (Fall &Spring). Horizon High School will use various means of communication (district/school websites, correspondence, Open House, newsletters, parent meetings, Facebook, Twitter, Class Dojo app, Remind app, and other forms of communication) to distribute the policy to parents, family members, and the community.

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Signed by the Authorized Administrator

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