2023-2024 East Montana Middle 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.
- 4. 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. East Montana Middle 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 communicate all information in English and Spanish, and in a format that is accessible for parents.
 - EMMS will utilize the school marquee, monthly newsletters, school website, and call out system to communicate
 events.

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Parent & Family Engagement Policy requirements - Public Law 114-95 Section 1116

- EMMS will follow policies and practices set forth by the Family Education Rights and Privacy Act.
- 2. East Montana Middle 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 two meeting each school year where parents are invited to attend to review, evaluate and revise the School Parent and Family Engagement Policy.
 - The School Parent and Family Engagement Policy is uniquely developed to meet the needs and goals of the East Montana Middle School and students.
 - Parents can provide feedback on the compact at any time during the school year. Please call Mrs. Terrazas, Assistant Principal at (915) 926-5200.
- 3. East Montana Middle 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 offer many opportunities for parents and family members to be involved in order to help their child be a successful student.
 - Our school offers various events and/or meetings in the morning and in the evenings such as Title I
 meeting, Open House, Parent-Teacher conferences, various committees; Campus Improvement Plan,
 Campus Needs Assessment, School Parent & Family Engagement Policy and school-Parent-Student
 Compact, Award Ceremonies, Loteria with the Principal, etc.
- 4. East Montana Middle 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)
 - EMMS will encourage and invite parents to participate in providing input on the campus improvement plan, student-parent-teacher-campus compact to better support our community and campus needs.
 - Parents may volunteer and assist the campus at any time for any event. Our campus Communities in School (CIS)

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coordinator, Mrs. Sandra Tarin, will assist to reaching out to parents and keep open lines of communication between campus and community.

- 5. East Montana Middle 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)

- EMMS will encourage and recruit parents and stakeholders on the importance of STAAR assessments and campus rating based on student performance.
- Parents and community at large will participate through open house, Loteria with the principal, and STAAR night on the rubric and curriculum their child should be mastering. Date Evaluated: September 10, 2021
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- Parents will be able to understand how their child is being prepared for the STAAR and life after middle school.
- Parents can provide input on programs, software, or activities that fit into our district initiatives and campus plan of improving student academics
- 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)
 - Our school will hold two meetings each school year where parents are invited to attend to review, evaluate, and revise the School Parent and Family Engagement Policy.
 - This School Parent and Family Engagement Policy is uniquely developed to meet the needs and goals of the EMMS school and students.
 - Parents can provide feedback on the compact at any time during the school year. Please call Daniel Gutierrez, Principal at (915) 926-5200.
- 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: Section 1116 (e)

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- (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)
- EMMS will encourage and recruit parents and stakeholders on the importance of STAAR assessments and campus rating based on student performance.
- Parents and the community at large will participate through open house, Loteria with the principal, and STAAR night on the rubric and curriculum their child should be mastering.
- Parents will be able to understand how their child is being prepared for the STAAR and life after middle school.
- Parents can provide input on programs, software, or activities that fit into our district initiatives and campus plan of improving student academics.
- Parents will be informed on the state standards of every STAAR assessment their child will take by grade
 level and be able to navigate the Texas Education Agency website to better support their child in
 preparation for exam. In these meetings, parents will be able to understand the testing framework and
 calendar Clint ISD to better prepare and understand what their child will need.
- (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; Section 1116 (e)(2)
- EMMS will plan to have content specific family nights. (i.e. will invite families to come in and learn math alongside their child).
- Parents will be trained on the basic care of the Chromebook.
- Parents will be exposed to activities that deal with Math, Reading, Social Studies, and Science. The second and third quarter of the 2023-2024 school year is when this will be held.
- (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)
- EMMS will send a team, to include campus administrator who oversees Family engagement, for trainings both at the district level and region level. Currently, the campus administrator has received training by attending a district parent and family engagement workshop.
- (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

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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)

- Parents may volunteer and assist the campus at any time for any event. Our campus CIS, Mrs. Tarin, will
 reach out to parents and keep open lines of communication between campus and community.
- (v) provide such other reasonable support for parental involvement activities as parents may request. <u>Section</u> 1116 (e)(14)
- EMMS will communicate to all parents about the following topics when appropriate:
 - Teacher/Professional qualifications and professional development attended.
 - Notification when students are taught by a non-highly qualified teacher for four consecutive weeks.
 - Annual Title I meeting to explain requirements, their right to be involved, and the yearly progress review (AYP).
 - Student academic progress goes out after every grading period, campus performance on state progress reports, and state assessments will go out once they are released by TEA.
 - Written parental involvement policies.
 - Availability of Campus Improvement Plan and Parental Involvement Plan.
 - o Upcoming presentations on violence, drug prevention, and health and safety.
 - Upcoming parent presentations on various topics aimed at increasing parental involvement.
 - Notify the parents of the victim of a violent criminal offense while in or on the grounds.
 - Notification of parents whose child is identified for the English Language Learner program.
 - Conduct parent-teacher conferences, and encourage parents to request parent-teacher conferences.
 - Meetings and presentations will be convened at a time convenient for parents
 - Parents and community members are invited to volunteer and serve on committees, attend school
 meetings and award ceremonies, and to participate in Rattler Expo and ESL night.
 - Parents and students are surveyed annually to get their input.
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- EMMS will reach out to parents and provide different avenues of participating if parents cannot be present such as email communication, parent phone calls, and or technology apps.

The East Montana Middle School parent and family engagement policy has been developed/revised jointly with, and agreed upon with parents of participating children and school staff on __(enter date of evaluation meeting)___, as evidenced by meeting minutes, and will be in effect for the period of the 2021-2022 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). East Montana Middle 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	Date	
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