

Watkins-Nance Elementary School

Parent and Family Engagement Policy

2024-2025

The Parent and Family Engagement Policy was developed in collaboration with parents. Parents, community members, and school staff will update and review the policy annually.

Within the first 45 days of the school year, a meeting will be held by the school administration to inform parents of the requirements under Title I Section 1118.

Topics covered will include:

- Services- What Title I provides, as well as inform parents of their rights and opportunities to become involved at Watkins-Nance Elementary School
- Resources- Federal and State Programs (i.e., IDEA, Title V, Act 135, EAA) and resources available to parents and their children.
- Support School curricula and resources to support academic achievement as well as social and emotional learning support for families
- Assessments- Academic assessments used at the school, including the district's universal screener, STAR, College and Career Readiness Assessments (SC-Ready, SC PASS), teacher-made assessments (Common Assessments), Early Reading Assessments (ERA) and District Benchmark Assessments.
- Data Overview of the Annual Report to Parents.
- Eligibility Parents' right-to-know requirements.
- Opportunities -Events, Trainings, Workshops, and Meetings for parents will be held monthly. Scheduled meetings include Annual Title I Meetings, Family Literacy Night, Open House, and Curriculum Night. Refreshments and childcare may be provided to help increase parents' attendance at meetings.

Parents will receive notice about parental engagement opportunities through several different outlets:

- School newsletters, e-mail, Auto-Dialer, text, and phone calls
- School web site www.richlandone/http://Watkins-Nance.richlandone.org
- Parent Advisory Council (PAC), Parent Teacher Organization (PTO) and School Improvement Council (SIC)
- School Marquee

All current Parent and Family Engagement Policy and School-Parent Compact will be provided to parents at the start of each school year. Parents serving on the SIC and PAC (Parent Advisory Council) will consider parents' input when revising both policies during the Title I Planning meetings. The Final Draft will be completed at the final Title I meeting #3. A copy of the Title I Plan will be available in the main office, on the school's website, and in the media center. Parents may use the suggestion box for any additional information or comments. Regular meetings will be held to allow parents opportunities to make suggestions and recommendations related to their child's education.