

Family Engagement Plan (FEP), 2024-25

School Information	
School:	River Bend
Principal:	Clint Whisler
Family Liaison:	
Family Liaison Phone Number:	
Family Liaison Email Address:	
This plan was developed in partnership with families and approved on:	
Introduction to the Family Engagement Plan	

Mission & Vision	
School Mission Statement	At River Bend we strive to be our best - be kind, be responsible, be leaders. River Bend provides a safe and supportive learning environment to help students reach their full potential.
School Vision Statement	At River Bend, we provide an engaging, safe and nurturing learning environment that honors student voice and helps prepare and support students for their next educational setting by providing positive/proactive student focused systems and interventions. River Bend is composed of collaborative teams of staff who hold themselves, their peers and students accountable by honoring shared agreements and who support students and each other by engaging in courageous conversations and demonstrating positive intent.

Family & Community Voice and Engagement	
How family & community voices are gathered at our school	Information is gathered through IEP meetings, parent/family communication from their child's education team. It is also gathered through informal surveys.
The primary challenges/areas of need identified by families and community members at our school	A lot of challenges that have been brought to our attention from families is the lack of additional community resources to support their child's physical, emotional or mental health needs
The primary hopes and aspirations identified by families & community members at our school	Have a supportive school environment where students academic and behavioral needs are met. A school that is welcoming and attentive to student and family needs.

Family Engagement Strategies	
FEP Strategy Name	<i>All families feel welcome in our school and have equal access to opportunities to be involved in their students' education</i>
We will host the following community-building and cultural events this year:	Parent Conferences: October 16, February 14, School Open House--Aug. 29, State of the School October 16, other events as decided by committees
We will notify families of how to get involved in the events listed on our FEP, how to access school staff, and how to volunteer through:	We will do robocalls to families, have event flyers made up and sent home, on our monthly newsletter
We will ensure all families can participate by providing the following:	Advance notice of the event, stream event when possible, assist with transportation as feasibly possible
FEP Strategy Name	<i>All families are informed of the steps our school is taking to improve student outcomes and achieve equity</i>
(Title I Schools) We will host our annual State of the School (Title I) conference:	October 16 @ 9am
We will inform families of the steps our school is taking to improve student outcomes and achieve equity through:	Presenting our state of the school address, individual IEP meetings, individual parent teacher conference updates, individual phone calls home
FEP Strategy Name	<i>Families will play an important role in developing our School Improvement and Family Engagement plans, and will provide valued input on how we spend our resources.</i>
We will get family input on our School Improvement Plan for next year in:	Informal surveys, options to meet with administration, questions during IEP meetings, or during conferences.
We will get family input on our Family Engagement Plan for next year in:	In the spring
We will get family input on how we'll use our resources next year to support student achievement and engage families in:	In the spring around budget time
We will host regular Site Council meetings on:	Monthly on Thursday's
FEP Strategy Name	<i>All school staff members, family members, and students understand the important role they each play in making sure students achieve success at our school.</i>
(Title I Schools) We will get family input on our School-Family Compact for next year in:	In the spring
(Title I Schools) We will share our School-Family Compact with families by:	A link in our newsletter, information during conferences and site council meetings.
FEP Strategy Name	<i>All families understand how to support their students' academic achievement.</i>
At the following events, we will help families understand our school curriculum, state standards, assessments their students take, and how we measure student achievement and success:	Parent Conferences: October 16, February 14, State of the School October 16
In addition to the events above, we will also help families understand our school curriculum, state standards, assessments their students will take, and how we will measure student achievement and success in the following ways:	Individual Education Plan meetings
We will host the following academically-focused family events:	To be determined
FEP Strategy Name	<i>All staff will be trained on how to effectively partner with families.</i>
We will provide professional development on family engagement to our staff on the following topics this year:	Positive connections and seeking family voice during IEP meetings

