



Sams Valley Elementary School

Parent & Family Engagement Policy 2024-2025

1. Sams Valley Elementary 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)

- **The Parent & Family Engagement Policy and Family & School Compact will be distributed at the beginning of the school year in the following ways:**
 - **Included with back-to-school registration paperwork (School Compact)**
 - **Shared at the Sams Valley Community Organization meeting on Nov. 6, 2024**
 - **Posted on ParentSquare in November**
 - **Posted on Sams Valley Elementary Website**
- **A school-wide meeting will be held to distribute the policy and allow for parent suggestions. Parent input is also encouraged through our school Site Council committee.**

2. Sams Valley Elementary 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)

- **Meet with the Sams Valley Community Organization on Nov. 6, 2024**
- **Annual Title 1 Parent Meeting held during Back to School Night, Sept. 19, 2024**
- **A 2nd Title 1 Parent Meeting held Nov. 6, 2024. This meeting to be held in person/virtual at Sams Valley Elementary School. A Zoom invite link included in the invitation.**
- **Parents are notified of these meetings using the following methods:**
 - **Social Media (Facebook, etc.)**
 - **ParentSquare Post**
 - **School Website**



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3. Sams Valley Elementary 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; Section 1116 (c)(2)

- **Annual Title 1 Parent Meeting held during Back to School Night**
- **Children are welcome to participate in the Title 1 Parent Meeting since it is held on Back to School Night**
- **Transportation is available upon request**
- **The school Title I teacher and/or school administrator will be available to answer any questions or review the Parent Involvement Plan**
- **A 2nd Title 1 Parent Meeting held Nov. 6, 2024. This meeting to be held in person/virtual at Sams Valley Elementary School. A Zoom invite link was also provided so parents could attend online as well.**

4. Sams Valley Elementary 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 school-wide 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; Section 1116 (c)(3)

- **Provide parents the opportunity to provide feedback and suggestions at our annual Title I Parent Engagement Meetings.**
- **Provide parents the opportunity to provide feedback and suggestions during Site Council and Student Council Meetings with PTO representative present.**
- **Staff will have input on revisions through the school Site Council team.**
- **Meet with the Sams Valley Community Organization on Nov. 6, 2024**

5. Sams Valley Elementary shall 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 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



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children, and respond to any such suggestions as soon as practicably possible; Section 1116 (c)(4)

- **Parents are notified that Sams Valley Elementary is a Title I School-wide program in the following ways:**
 - Annual Title 1 Parent Meetings
 - School Website (Google Translate available on website)
 - Student-Parent Handbook
 - ParentSquare Posts (Translation available)
 - Parents of students Participating in Title 1 services are notified following Fall and Winter benchmark testing
- **Information about parent & family nights, including Parent-Teacher conferences, Literacy Nights, SVE Carnival, Pastries with Parents breakfasts are:**
 - Posted on school Facebook social media account
 - Posted on school website (Google Translate on website)
 - Posted on ParentSquare (Google Translate available)
- **Annual Title I Parent meeting conducted during Back to School Night.**
- **A 2nd Title 1 Parent Meeting held Nov. 6, 2024. This meeting to be held in person/virtual at Sams Valley Elementary School. A Zoom invite link was also provided so parents could attend online as well.**
- **Universal Screening benchmark assessment results and student progress are printed for parents by our Title I teacher and distributed at Parent-Teacher conferences, or after each Aimsweb benchmark assessment, as well as Student Services Team meetings for students needing additional supports.**
- **Student Services Team (SST) meetings referrals are communicated to parents by classroom teacher and parents are invited to attend the parent Academic Support Team (AST) and the Behavior Support Team (BST) meetings. Parents may also request an AST or BST meeting for their child.**
- **Provide each parent of students grades 3-5 an individual student report about the performance of their child on the State assessment in math, language arts, and reading from the previous school year.**

6. If the school-wide program plan 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 local educational agency. Section 1116 (c)(5)



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- Provide parents the opportunity to provide feedback and suggestions at our annual Title I Parent Engagement Meetings.
- Provide parents the opportunity to provide feedback and suggestions during Site Council.

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, Sams Valley Elementary shall: Section 1116(e)

(i) provide help 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 work with educators to improve the achievement of their children; Section 1116 (e)(1)

(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)

(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)

(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)

(v) provide such other reasonable support for parental involvement activities as parents may request. Section 1116 (e)(14)

- **Sams Valley Elementary School involves parents in school activities in a variety of ways and collaborates closely with the school PTO to host joint sponsored events:**
 - **Back to School Night**
 - **Pastries for Parents**
 - **Holiday Bazaar**
 - **Literacy Nights**
 - **Fun Run**



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- SVE Carnival
- Kindergarten Launch
- Virtual or in-person K Meet and Greets
- Smart Reading
- Parents are provided with supports to help with academic areas at Academic and Behavior Support Team Meetings
- Family Events include tips, flyers, and additional activities for working with students at home
- Information is provided to parents through meetings, workshops, or printed documents so that parents understand the ways they can monitor their children's progress and work with educators to improve the performance of their children.
 - Parent Square Announcements
 - Kinder Launch
 - Farm to School – Food table provides activities and tips for students and parents.
- Parents are informed of ways that they can participate in decisions relating to the education of their children.
 - Parent-Teacher Conferences
 - Academic and Support Team (SST) meetings
 - Parent Square Posts
 - Social Media Posts
- Sams Valley Elementary will build the parents' capacity for strong parent and family engagement to ensure effective involvement of parents and to support a partnership among the school and the community to improve student academic achievement through the following:
 - Parent-Teacher Conferences
 - Providing parents with a description and explanation of the curriculum in use at the school, the forms of academic assessments used to measure student progress, and the achievement levels of the challenging State academic standards on our school website.
- Provide Professional Development for staff on how to promote family engagement, effectively communicate student progress, and inform parents of the standards and curriculum followed at Sams Valley Elementary School.
- Partner with YMCA Afterschool Care Program



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- **Partner with Rogue Valley Farm to School**

This School Parental Involvement Policy has been developed jointly with, and agreed on with, parents of children participating in Title I, Part A programs.

This policy was adopted by Sams Valley Elementary on Oct. 23, 2024 and will be in effect for the 2024-2025 school year. The school will distribute this policy to all parents of participating Title I, Part A children on or before January 6, 2025.