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Parental Involvement Policy: John Muir Middle School has jointly developed the following written Title I parental involvement policy with the parents of participating students through our ELAC (English Learner Advisory Committee) and SSC (School Site Council). The policy has been agreed on by parents/teachers/staff on ELAC and SSC and describes the means for carrying out the following Title I parental involvement requirements and is distributed to all parents through the mail: [20 USC 6318 Section 1118 (a) – (f)]. To involve parents in the Title I program at John Muir Middle School, the following practices have been established:

- John Muir Middle School will hold an annual parent meeting each school year to inform parents of the Parent Involvement Policy, their rights under Title I, and how they can be involved in the planning, review, and improvement of the Title I programs in the school. (20 USC 6318[c][1])
- John Muir Middle School will be flexible as to meeting times to encourage broad parent involvement. (20 USC 6318 [c][2])
- John Muir Middle School will involve parents in planning, reviewing, and improving programs through regularly scheduled School Site Council, and English Learner Advisory Committee,
- John Muir Middle School will provide parents with timely information regarding curriculum, assessments, and expectations for student achievement through the use of emails, website, Back to School Night, Open House, and parent conferences. (20 USC 6318[c][4][A]) (20 USC 6318[c][4][B])
- Parents may submit a letter to the school if they are not satisfied with the Single Plan for Student Achievement. (20 USC 6318[c][4][C]) • John Muir Middle School provides opportunities for regular meetings that allow the parents to participate in decisions relating to the education of their children through parent conferences, ELAC, SSC, and parent workshops (changing graduation requirements, school report card, two in the Fall and two in the Spring), etc. (20 USC 6318 [c][4][C])
- John Muir Middle School will provide parents with an explanation of the curriculum used at the school, assessments used to measure student progress, and the proficiency levels students are expected to meet at parent meetings, Open House, Back to School Night, and parent conferences.

Compact for High Student Academic Achievement: John Muir Middle School distributes to all parents a school-parent compact. The compact, jointly developed with parents, outlines how parents, the entire school staff, and students will share the responsibility for improved student academic achievement. It describes specific ways the school and families will partner to help children achieve the Common Core's high academic standards. It addresses the following legally required items, as well as other items suggested by parents:

- Provide and support a high-quality curriculum and instruction aligned to the adopted Common Core Standards.
- Ensure a safe, supportive, effective, and orderly learning environment at home and school.
- Utilize intervention services for students who are performing below benchmarks.
- Maintain frequent, ongoing communication through student planners, newsletters, emails, classroom visitation, Back to School Night, Open House, parent conferences, reports on student progress, and reasonable access to staff.
- Support the school's Code of Conduct.

- Discuss school work and progress regularly.
- Students will read daily and limit TV watching, recreational use of the Internet and use of electronic games.
- Students will be responsible for their learning by coming to school prepared and actively participating in all learning activities.
- John Muir Middle School will provide appropriate training for teachers, staff, and parents.
- John Muir Middle School welcomes and encourages volunteers by contacting the PTSA.

Building Capacity for Involvement: John Muir Middle School engages all parents in meaningful interactions with the school. It supports a partnership among staff, parents, and the community to improve student academic achievement. To help reach these goals, the school has established the following practices:

- John Muir Middle School will assist parents in understanding topics such as state/local assessments, content, and achievement standards, how to monitor their child’s progress, and working with educators to improve their child’s achievement through parent conferences, workshops, and ELAC/SSC meetings. (20 USC 6318[e][1])
- John Muir Middle School will provide materials and training to help parents work with their child/ children by holding parent workshops in Literacy, Math, English Language Development, and other topics yearly. (20 USC 6318[e][2])
- John Muir Middle School will provide professional development for the entire staff with the assistance of parents to develop collaboration with parents as partners in their child’s education throughout the school year (Common Core Standards, SDAIE, Reflection on Instruction, Data Analysis, Differentiation of Instruction, Content Related Pedagogy, Standards for Mathematical Practices, Improving Attendance, and Positive Behavior Support Plan). (20 USC 6318[e][3])
- John Muir Middle School will provide and support parent and family involvement activities as determined by Advisory Committees/Councils, parent centers, and parent surveys. (20 USC 6318[e][4])
- John Muir Middle School will provide information and reports to parents in a format and, when possible, in a language that parents understand through newsletters and translated phone calls. (20 USC 6318[e][5])
- John Muir Middle School will provide reasonable support for parental involvement when requested by parents. (20 USC 6318[e][14])

Accessibility

- John Muir Middle School will, to the extent practicable, provide opportunities for participation by all parents, including parents with limited English proficiency, parents with disabilities, Title I parents, homeless, and migrant parents. This includes providing information and school reports in a format and, when possible, in a language parents understand. (20 USC 6318[b][1][2][3][c])

Adoption: John Muir Middle School’s Parental Involvement Policy has been developed jointly with, and agreed on with, parents/teachers/staff, and approved by the School Site Council. This policy was adopted by John Muir Middle School on Thursday, October 10th, 2024 and will be in effect for the 2024-2025 school year. The school will distribute this policy to all parents of students at John Muir Middle School before or at the end of December 2024. It will be made available to the local community before or at the end of December 2024. The John Muir Middle School’s notification to parents of this policy will be in an understandable and uniform format and, to the extent practicable, provided to parents in a language they can understand.

Principal Signature

Date

School Site Chairperson

Date