



Introduction

“The mutual responsibility of families, schools and communities to build relationships to support student learning and achievement, support family well-being and the continuous learning and development of children, families, and educators. Family engagement is fully integrated in the child’s educational experience and is both culturally and linguistically appropriate.” Texas Administrative Code §102.1003.

Lone Oak ISD, in accordance with the House Bill 3 High-Quality Prekindergarten guidelines, created a High-Quality Prekindergarten Family Engagement Plan to promote partnership between our school, families, and community to ensure successful outcomes for our youngest learners in prekindergarten programs. Collaboratively, we all share the responsibility to encourage and support initiatives, activities, and practices that enhance the success of student learning and achievement.

Family Engagement Plan Development Committee Members:

- Jill Whitehead, LOES Principal
- Dr. Joe Riddle, LOES Asst. Principal
- Susan Gentry, LOES Counselor
- Kim Patterson, Admin. Asst.
- Tracy Witt
- Becca Jones
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Contact Person for Families:

- Jill Whitehead, LOES Principal

Family Engagement Plan

Family Engagement Plan Component	Component Description	Activity/Event/Practice Details and Timing
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<p>Facilitate Family-to-Family Support</p>	<p>Inclusive, transparent communications allow school personnel to create a safe and respectful environment to promote supportive interaction between households.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Picnic on the Playground ● Easter Egg Hunt ● Thanksgiving Showcase ● Pre-K Beach Day in May ● Community Helper Field Trip ● Children’s Museum Field Trip ● Principal Weekly Newsletter ● Weekly/Monthly Teacher newsletter ● Annual Caregiver Skills/Needs Survey ● PK Round-Up ● PK/K Meet the Teacher events ● BOY home visits ● Car Seat Safety Event
<p>Establish a network of community resources</p>	<p>Lone Oak ISD will build strategic partnerships with community organizations to leverage community resources for caregivers through the community resources handbook, and ongoing district-wide events.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Jump Rope for Heart event ● Lone Oak ISD Community Resources Handbook ● PTO Fun Run ● Field Day ● Community Field Trip
<p>Increase family participation in decision-making</p>	<p>Throughout the year, participation in district and school-wide decision-making empowers caregivers as their child’s first teacher and advocate.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● District Improvement Plan Committee ● District SHAC ● LPAC Committee Parent Group
<p>Equip families with tools to enhance and extend</p>	<p>Caregivers have multiple opportunities to learn about</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Family conferences ● ESL Classes



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learning	student progress and ways to support success at home. Caregivers also have personal extended learning opportunities.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Annual Caregiver Skills/Needs Survey • Weekly/Monthly Teacher newsletter • Summer ESC/District Curriculum event • Monthly PK Curriculum • Take Home Curriculum Bags
Provide ongoing professional development opportunities for educators	Prekindergarten teaching staff participate in professional development opportunities to support and use culturally diverse, culturally relevant, and culturally responsive family engagement strategies and enhance instruction.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • PK Guidelines • Now4Forever Conference • Attend Webinars • Technology for young children • ESC ECE training, coaching, mentoring • District-wide strengths-based/culturally Responsive PD
Evaluate family engagement efforts and use results for continuous improvement	Ongoing campus/district needs assessment cycle will seek input to improve the quality of instruction, climate, and family engagement	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • District Improvement Plan cycle • District Performance Report • District/Campus Climate Surveys • Title I Parent Survey • Beginning-of-year student-centered goal-setting and family checkpoint conferences
Transition Activities:		
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Provide school tours/visits with local child care providers and community to encourage smooth transitions to kindergarten • Create a transition plan to support children and families moving from one grade to the next 		
Linguistic & Culturally Inclusive Practices:		
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Ensure Human Resources Dept. routinely implements linguistically and culturally inclusive hiring practices • Provide ongoing professional development to educators on culturally responsive topics with an early childhood focus 		



- Use culturally relevant materials in classrooms and for homework sent to families
- Use home languages for all communications sent to families
- Provide translators and interpreters during all events/activities for caregivers

Conclusion

The Lone Oak ISD HQPK Family Engagement Plan is one of the strategies our district uses to guide collaborative success. The positive relationships between staff and families that Lone Oak ISD promotes through the HQPK Family Engagement plan, help build a shared understanding of how we can work together to ensure every child will reach their full potential, from birth to kindergarten and beyond.

HQPK Family Engagement Plan URL for ECDS submission:
https://docs.google.com/document/d/e/2PACX-1vQ9uzDVXcuDyNOxb0sR2U6TADqj_-ni9-msnAJ26Jcckgi6ekuJXzKd0Q-nQro3r9mn06iWUPNoJppC/pub