Spencerville Elementary School Title 1 - Schoolwide Parent Involvement Policy
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Spencerville Elementary is Schoolwide Title 1 as defined by State and Federal guidelines. We are required to develop, in union with our school community, a written Title 1 Parent Involvement Policy. Input from parents and the Elementary School Leadership Team will be collected annually to support in the process. The policy will be made available on the Spencerville Elementary School Website. The Spencerville Elementary Parent Involvement Policy describes the means for carrying out the following Title 1 Parent Involvement requirements.

Spencerville Elementary School believes that parents play a vital role in the academic success of their students. Research shows that a home-school collaboration and increased involvement on the part of parents in the education of their children typically result in higher achievement scores, improved student behavior, and reduced absenteeism.

Involvement of Parents in the Title 1 Program

Spencerville Elementary will do the following:

- Respect and value parents and families as children's first teachers and primary decision-makers in their children's education.
- Assist parents and families in acquiring techniques, strategies and skills, by offering trainings and materials they can use to support children's at-home learning and academic success in school. *Surveys will be used to collect information on the types of effective parental supports.*
- Provide parents and families with timely and meaningful information in understandable language in Ohio's academic standards; state and local assessments; and legal requirements so that they can make informed decisions about their children's academic future. *This information will be made available on the school website and will also be provided at Open House. Teachers review curriculum, assessments, grade level expectations, and content standards. During Parent/Teacher Conferences, parents receive additional, more specific information regarding their child's progress in relation to the above-mentioned items. Parent/Teacher conferences are held, at minimum, once annually. Parents are encouraged to communicate with their teachers when they have questions about their child's progress or classroom procedures.*
- Inform all parents of Title 1 Program requirements and their rights to be involved in the Title 1 Program. *This information, as well as services, will be shared on the Spencerville Elementary School's website. The information will include the Schoolwide policy, The Home-School Compact and the Parents Right to Know information.*
- Offer parent surveys to collect information from parents regarding academic opportunities, communication, safety and various parent supports that contribute to the success of the students.
- Promote consistent and effective two-way communication between all students' parents and family members and school personnel.

- Offer ongoing and systematic professional development for administrators, teachers and pupil-services staff on the utility of building strong partnerships with families; the importance of reaching out to families in multiple ways; designing meaningful conferences; and implementing and coordinating family involvement programs schoolwide.
- Conduct an annual review of the policy with parental input and adjust the plan as needed.

Spencerville Elementary offers the following ways for parents to participate:

Back to School Fair

Resilient Kids Parent Night with Community Counselors

Classroom Volunteers

Parent/Teacher Conferences

Monthly PTO Meetings

Field Trip Volunteers

Kindergarten Orientation

COSI on Wheels

Laps for Learning

Lunch time with students

Surveys

Parent workshops

Book Fair