

Sheffield High School Family Engagement Plan 2020-2021 School Year

Dear Parent/Guardian:

Sheffield High School believes that the education of today's youth must be a cooperative venture between parents and educators and that parental involvement contributes significantly to student achievement. Family engagement will take place through the following:

POLICIES:

- A Family Engagement Policy and Parent/School Compact are **jointly developed** with staff and parent input.
- Sheffield High School has established an **expectation for parental involvement**.
- Families read and understand the school's handbook and policies.
- Families work with the school staff and teachers to revise the perceptions of the school's climate.
- Each year the school will work **with parents to jointly develop as school-parent compact**.
- All Sheffield High School parents have a **right to be involved** in their child's education.

COMMUNICATIONS:

- Parents are informed **of school participation in Title I** and **informed of Title I requirements**.
- Families contact teachers with concerns about a child's grades.
- Families attend parent teacher conferences and are provided a description/explanation of the **curriculum** and **academic assessments** and student **proficiency levels**.
- Families contact the school about programs and services offered.
- Families work with Sheffield High School to create an environment that fosters the sharing of ideas to make Sheffield High School a better school.
- A student/parent handbook/agenda is provided.
- Progress notes are sent home to update parents on student achievement and behavior.
- Home phone contacts are made as necessary to update parents on student achievement and behavior.
- Parents whose second language is English are provided accommodations as needed.

PARENTAL INVOLVEMENT

- Families assist in creating a parent network that fosters support for parents, students, faculty, and administration.
- Families attend parent gatherings, special events, and other activities offered by the school.
- Families support the school in creating a “college going culture.”
- We strive to involve parents in **an organized, ongoing and timely way to (plan, review school programs).**
- Parents volunteer to work in the school.
- Families keep the school informed about contact information (new phone numbers, addresses) when changes occur.

MEETINGS:

- Parents are **invited to annual meetings** which are planned to address a variety of topics.
- Parent/Community meetings are held that include students, parents and outside community agencies.
- Meetings are scheduled to provide a **flexible number of meetings** and to **provide timely information about parent programs.**
- Parent meetings are held to give parents an opportunity to help in the School Improvement Plan, Family Engagement Plan, and the Parent/School compact.
- Site Based Decision Making Council Meetings are scheduled to allow parents the **opportunity for regular meetings** for suggestions and decision making.

PARENT TRAINING

- Parents are encouraged to volunteer at the school to help build better relationships between parents, teachers and administrators.
- Helpful parent tips are included in the monthly newsletter.

Federal law requires us to distribute our family engagement plan to parents to ensure their involvement in their children’s educational process. Please sign the form below and return it during the registration process as proof that you have received this important information.

If you have any questions, feel free to call me at 901-416-2370.

Sincerely,

Dr. Melanie Black, Principal

Acknowledgement

I have received the family engagement plan described in this letter.

Print Parent's Name

Parent's Signature

Print Student's Name

School & Grade
