

Union Grove ISD PK Family Engagement Plan 2024-2025

Purpose: UGISD strives on achieving and maintaining high levels of family involvement and positive family attitudes toward education. The family engagement plan will allow a foundation for the collaboration of mutual partners, the embracing of the individuality and uniqueness of families, and promote a culture of learning that is child centered, age appropriate, and family driven.

Definitions of Family and Family Engagement – HB4:

Family includes adults and children significant in the child's life who support the early learning and development of the child. Family engagement is the mutual responsibility of families, schools, and communities to build relationships to support student learning and achievement and to support family well-being and the continuous learning and development for children, families and educators. Family engagement is fully integrated in the child's educational experience and supports the whole child and is both culturally responsive and linguistically appropriate.

The six components of the Family Engagement Plan:

- (1) Facilitate family-to-family support
- (2) Establish a network of community resources
- (3) Increasing family participation in decision-making
- (4) Equipping families with tools to enhance and extend learning
- (5) Developing staff skills in evidence-based practices that support families in meeting their children's learning benchmarks.
- (6) Evaluating family engagement efforts and using evaluation for continuous improvement.

Components	Activities/Events/Practices
Facilitate family-to-family support.	Social events for families to connect with one another. 1. PreK Round Up 2. Meet the Teacher 3. Grandparents' Lunch 4. Christmas Party 5. Field Trips 6. Field Day

	<p>7. Thanksgiving Feast 8. Book Fair 9. Open House 10. PK End of Year Program 11. Muffins with Mom 12. Donuts with Dad 13. Valentine's Day Party</p>
Establish a network of community resources.	<p>Union Grove Elementary will provide information to parents and assist in connecting them to community resources such as:</p> <p>Backpack meal program Rotary Club Assist by facilitating referrals for needed services</p>
Increase family participation in decision-making.	<p>Communication- social media, school email, parent-teacher conferences, phone calls. Volunteer in classrooms and room parents. Other: parent surveys, parent committees</p>
Equip families with tools to enhance and extend learning.	<p>Union Grove Elementary will provide parents with tools to support their child's learning by:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Maintaining daily communication folders 2. Posting parent resources on the Union Grove ISD website. 3. Sharing ideas with parents at parent/teacher conferences, newsletters, and at campus-family learning events. 5. District automated messages for district and campus events 6. Encourage family participation in the classroom 7. Promote the use of family-friendly technology that supports home learning
Developing staff skills in evidence-based	Union Grove Elementary will strive to meet

practices that support families in meeting their children's learning benchmarks	<p>the needs of families through ongoing development of staff in:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. EduHero; including confidentiality, boundaries, etc 2. Early Childhood courses at Reg 7 ESC
Evaluating family engagement efforts and using evaluation for continuous improvement.	<p>Union Grove Elementary will evaluate family engagement efforts through:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Parent surveys 2. PreK Self-Assessment Tool 3. Parent attendance at campus events 4. Communication Logs

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