



Millwood Elementary School SUMTER SCHOOL DISTRICT

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Title One: Family Engagement Policy

1. Millwood Elementary believes that parents and schools are partners when it comes to the education of our children. Studies show that when parents are involved, students are more successful and have:

- higher test scores and grades
- better school attendance and attitudes toward schoolwork
- increased motivation and self-esteem
- lower rates of school suspension

2. Millwood's 2025-2026 Title I Parent Involvement Policy has been developed jointly and distributed to the parents. Parents will be invited to an annual Title I meeting at the beginning of the school year to plan, review and revise the policy as needed. An annual meeting will be held to inform parents of the school's participation in the Title I program and to explain the requirements of the program and their right to be involved.

3. Participants identified the following as goals of the parent involvement policy:

- Encourage parents, guardians, and grandparents to be involved with their child's education and to encourage high achievement.
- Open lines of communication between parents and schools.
- Provide parents of participating children with timely information about the Title I program.
- Remove or prevent barriers between the school and economically disadvantaged families; families with limited English proficiency and/or limited literacy; families with special needs or disabilities; and families of any racial or ethnic minority background.
- Ensure that information related to school and parent programs, meetings, and other activities is sent to parents in a format and in a language the parents can understand.

4. Parent conferences and meetings are held at different times throughout the year.

5. Title I funds are used, when necessary, to enable parents to participate in school meetings, training sessions, and parent involvement activities. Funds may be used for transportation, child care, or home visits.

6. Parents will be invited to an annual Title I meeting in the spring to review and make recommendations to improve the Title I school program and to assist in the development of the following year's Title I plan and School Renewal plan.

7. A variety of workshops and family nights will assist parents in understanding and supporting our school's academic and behavioral expectations.

8. Opportunities for feedback and suggestions are provided through conferences, meetings, or principal emails.

9. Millwood Elementary provides opportunities for all parents, regardless of disability or limited English proficiency. If needed, a translator will be provided.

Parent Signature _____ Date _____

MISSION STATEMENT: The mission of Millwood Elementary School is to always put students first. VISION: The vision of Millwood Elementary School is to establish a safe environment focusing on attendance, academics, and behavior.

Sumter School District is an equal opportunity employer. Revised September 16, 2025