REDLANDS UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT

6000 - INSTRUCTION

BOARD POLICY 6020 - PARENT INVOLVEMENT

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1. The Governing Board recognizes that parents/guardians are their children's first and most influential teachers and that sustained parent involvement in the education of their children contributes greatly to student achievement and a positive school environment. The Superintendent/designee shall work with staff and parents/guardians to develop meaningful opportunities at all grade levels for parents/guardians to be involved in district and school activities; advisory, decision-making, and advocacy roles; and activities to support learning at home.

(cf. 0420 – School Plans/Site Councils)
(cf. 0420.1 – School-Based Program Coordination)
(cf. 0420.5 – School-Based Decision Making)
(cf. 0520.1 – High Priority Schools Grant Program)
(cf. 0520.2 – Title I Program Improvement Schools)
(cf. 1220 – Citizen Advisory Committees)
(cf. 1230 – School-Connected Organizations)
(cf. 1240 – Volunteer Assistance)
(cf. 1250 – Visitors/Outsiders)

2. Parents/guardians shall be notified of their rights to be informed about and to participate in their children's education and of the opportunities available to them to do so.

(cf. 5020 – Parent Rights and Responsibilities)
(cf. 5145.6 – Parental Notifications)

3. The Superintendent/designee shall regularly evaluate and report to the Board on the effectiveness of the district's parent involvement efforts, including, but not limited to, input from parents/guardians and school staff on the adequacy of parent involvement opportunities and barriers that may inhibit parent/guardian participation.

(cf. 0500 – Accountability)

4. Title I Schools

    a. Each year the Superintendent/designee shall identify specific objectives of the district's parent involvement program for schools that receive Title I funding. He/she shall ensure that parents/guardians are consulted and participate in the planning, design, implementation, and evaluation of the parent involvement program. (Education Code 11503)

(cf. 6171 – Title I Programs)

b. The Superintendent/designee shall ensure that the district's parent involvement strategies are jointly developed with and agreed upon by parents/guardians of students participating in Title I programs. Those strategies shall establish expectations for parent involvement and describe how the district will carry out each activity listed in 20 USC 6318. (20 USC 6318)

c. The Superintendent/designee shall consult with parents/guardians of participating students in the planning and implementation of parent involvement programs, activities, and regulations. He/she also shall involve parents/guardians of participating students in decisions regarding how the district's Title I funds will be allotted for parent involvement activities. (20 USC 6318)

(cf. 3100 – Budget)

d. The Superintendent/designee shall ensure that each school receiving Title I funds develops a school-level parent involvement policy in accordance with 20 USC 6318)

5. Non-Title I Schools

a. The Superintendent/designee shall develop and implement strategies applicable to each school that does not receive federal Title I funds to encourage the involvement and support of parents/guardians in the education of their children, including, but not limited to, strategies describing how the district and schools will address the purposes and goals described in Education Code 11502. (Education Code 11504)

Legal Reference:

EDUCATION CODE

11500-11506 Programs to encourage parental involvement
48985 Notices in languages other than English
51101 Parent rights and responsibilities
64001 Single plan for student achievement

LABOR CODE

230.8 Time off to visit child's school

UNITED STATES CODE, TITLE 20

6311 Parental notice of teacher qualifications and student achievement
6312 Local educational agency plan
6314 Schoolwide programs
6316 School improvement
6318 Parent involvement

CODE OF FEDERAL REGULATIONS, TITLE 28
35.104 Definitions, auxiliary aids and services
35.160 Communications

Management Resources:
CSBA PUBLICATIONS
Parent Involvement: Development of Effective and Legally Compliant Policies, Governance and Policy Services Policy Briefs, August 2006
STATE BOARD OF EDUCATION POLICIES
89-01 Parent Involvement in the Education of Their Children, rev. 1994
U.S. DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION NON-REGULATORY GUIDANCE
Parental Involvement: Title I, Part A, April 23, 2004
WEB SITES
CSBA: http://www.csba.org
California Department of Education, Family, School, Community Partnerships: http://www.cde.ca.gov/ls/pf
California Parent Center: http://parent.sdsu.edu
California State PTA: http://www.capta.org
National Coalition for Parent Involvement in Education: http://www.ncpie.org
National PTA: http://www.pta.org
No Child Left Behind: http://www.ed.gov/nclb
Parent Information and Resource Centers: http://www.pirc-info.net
Parents as Teachers National Center: http://www.parentsasteachers.org
U.S. Department of Education: http://www.ed.gov

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