



**Arden Elementary School
School-Parent Compact
2025-2026**

Mrs. Shameka Stephney, Principal

Arden Elementary School and its stakeholders participating in activities, services and programs funded by Title I Programs agree that this School-Parent Compact outlines how they will build and develop a partnership for improved student academic achievement.

Arden Elementary School staff will:

- Provide high-quality curriculum and instruction in a safe, supportive and effective learning environment that enables children to meet the state's student academic achievement standards.
- Encourage an integrated and blended learning environment which will allow students to demonstrate their ability to explain, apply and interpret knowledge in a variety of ways including through the use of technology as well as through visual and hands-on projects.
- Invite parents and guardians to be active participants in their child's learning. Staff will keep families informed of student progress through the use of PowerSchool Parent Portal, student agendas, phone calls, email messages, as well as with interim reports, report cards and parent-teacher conferences.

Arden Elementary School families will:

- Monitor daily attendance.
- Ensure students arrive to school and are picked up on time.
- Assist with homework daily including listening to child read each night.
- Volunteer at school as an active classroom parent, participate on school committees and assist with school events.
- Stay informed of my child's education and be an active participant in the decisions that relate to my child's education.
- Communicate with the school staff on an as-needed basis (attendance, transportation, etc.)

Arden Elementary School students will:

- Come to school on time and be prepared to learn each day.
- Complete all classwork and homework assignments to the best of their ability.
- Show respect towards others and the school campus.
- Take accountability for their actions.



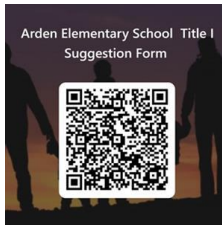
Arden Elementary School Parent & Family Engagement Policy 2025 – 2026

The Arden Elementary School Parent & Family Engagement Policy has been developed jointly, agreed upon and distributed to all school stakeholders. Richland One has high regard and much respect for the parents of its students therefore:

The mission is to:

- Involve stakeholders in the Arden Elementary School-Parent Advisory Council, Parent Teacher Organization and the School Improvement Council to assist with creating school events, reviewing school-wide plans and to work on school improvement projects.
- Encourage families to complete the annual school survey that will assist school staff to make necessary changes that will improve student achievement.
- Inform and encourage families to participate in upcoming school, district and community events, workshops, and seminars.
- Create a welcoming school environment so that families feel comfortable attending school meetings that impact the child's educational success.
- Develop, with the assistance of parents, the School-Parent Compact and Parent and Family Engagement Policy that will be used to build strong and meaningful stakeholders.
- Conduct an annual evaluation of the content and effectiveness of the Family Engagement Policy. Particular attention will be paid to parents who are economically disadvantaged, disabled, have limited English proficiency, have limited literacy, or are of any racial or ethnic minority background.

The Arden Elementary Parent and Family Engagement Policy will be presented during the annual Title 1 meetings, School Improvement Council meetings, and Parent meetings. The Title 1 Plan will be available in the school's front office, media center, and on the school's website.



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