



Barrett Elementary School

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Barrett Elementary School Kinder-5th Grade Family Engagement Plan

Barrett Elementary believes that all parents, teachers, and community leaders are a viable link in the educational success of all students. We are committed to empowering families to support the learning and development of children and by providing families educational opportunities and resources to ensure lifelong success.

We promote the involvement of these key stakeholders by having them take part in the process that allows them to contribute to our school community. Parents provide input regarding the services offered in an effort to maximize the quality of education for the Kindergarten through 5th grade students at Barrett Elementary.

We have established a Family Engagement Plan to increase the collaboration between all stakeholders. The active participation of parents, teachers, business and community leaders in all aspects of students' education is a valuable tool that Barrett Elementary welcomes and respects.

1. Facilitate Family-to-Family-Support

Barrett Elementary will provide a safe and respectful environment where families can learn from each other and ensure opportunities for continuous participation in events designed for families. Examples of events include, but are not limited to:

- Parent Newsletters using Parent Square
- Open House
- Book Fairs
- Site based Decision-Making Team
- Meet the Teacher Night
- Field Trips
- PTO Meetings/Social Events
- Bilingual/ ESL Family Nights
- Family Academic Nights
- Parent Conferences
- Parent Volunteer Opportunities including PTO
- Classroom Parties
- Grading Period Awards

2. Establishing a Network of Community Resources

Barrett Elementary Kindergarten through 5th grade Family Engagement Plan builds strategic partnership with community agencies and faith-based organizations. Barrett Elementary will establish resources that provide services to the students in an effort to equip parents and provide translators and culturally relevant resources reflective of their home language. Some of the resources will be:

- Barrett Elementary PTO
- Community Resource Credit Union
- Kids Hope USA
- Harris County Department of Education
21st Century Afterschool Program
- Region 4 Education Service Center
- Child Find-Early Identification of students with special needs
- Child Nutrition Information
- Immunization Information
- Health & Attendance Guidelines
- Whataburger, Chick Fil A, Marco's Pizza, Wendy's
- Barrett Station Ministerial Alliance
- Barrett Elementary Bilingual Employees provide (as needed) translation services for families
- Faith Family Church
- Crosby Methodist Church

3. Increasing Family Participation in Decision-Making

Barrett Elementary promotes family participation in decision-making. Their contributions are crucial to a well-rounded and well thought out plan that will facilitate support for all stakeholders and impact positive student achievement. Parents will be invited to participate and serve in:

- Site-Based Decision Committee
- LPAC parent representation
- Safety and Security Team
- BES PTO
- Campus visitation & volunteering
- Academic progress for students shared with parents

4. Equipping Families with Tools to Enhance and Extend Learning

Barrett Elementary educators recognize the families of our learners as the first and best teachers in the child's life. Examples of how Barrett Elementary equips families with tools to enhance and extend learning include:

- Parent -Teacher Conferences
- Open House
- Report Cards & Progress Reports available online through Parent Portal
- Milestones
- Amplify Data (K-2 Reading and Math)
- Renaissance 360 Data (3-5 Reading)
- Parent Square
- Campus Webpage
- Campus Facebook Page
- Newsletters: Barrett Bulletin
- Emails through Skyward
- Book Fairs
- Family Academic Night
- Bilingual/ ESL Family Night

5. Developing Staff Skills in Evidence-Based Practices that Support Families

Barrett Elementary believes in a continuous improvement philosophy. We offer staff development to support teachers in helping families so that they children reach learning benchmarks.

- Provide teachers with training with research-based strategies
- Region 4 Trainings
- Harris County Department of Education Trainings
- District level trainings and support

6. Evaluate Family Engagement Efforts and Use for Continuous Improvement

At Barrett Elementary, self-assessment will be a cornerstone to the overall process of evaluating program effectiveness, as well as supporting future improvements. These assessments will support fluidity within the family engagement plan to ensure adjustments are made to optimize family involvement within the school and community.

- Collection of all sign-in sheets for family engagement events including campus evening events and school parties
- Use of parent input to include speakers or topics important to their families