

Parental Involvement Policy

At Valleyview Elementary School, we believe that parents are an essential and driving force within our school community. Their active participation enriches the educational experience and strengthens the partnership between home and school. We encourage parents to be collaborative members in the learning process, working alongside educators to support student success.

There are many meaningful ways for parents to engage—whether through volunteering, participating in school activities, or contributing to student learning experiences. By fostering strong connections between families and our school, we create a supportive environment where every student can thrive.

Classroom Visitation

Valleyview has an open-door policy and team members would like to invite family and friends of students to volunteer in classrooms. We ask that you follow this general visitation policy:

- All visitors must check in at the office immediately upon entering the building
- We ask that classroom visitations do not disrupt the school environment or the learning process. Please check with the classroom teacher at least 24 hours in advance of your visit.
- Please contact your child's teacher to schedule a time to speak/meet with him/her outside of the 9:00 to 3:30 timeframe. We appreciate your support in allowing team members to focus their attention on students during school hours.

Volunteers

Students feel a sense of pride when they see their parents and others helping in their school. Parent volunteers are eagerly sought and much needed at Valleyview. We can find volunteer opportunities in any area in which you feel comfortable. Whatever your talents or skills are, we can use your assistance. Please let us know if you are able to help!

Parent Involvement Policy:

Valleyview Elementary will involve parents in two-way communication addressing student achievement and ensuring:

- That parents play an important role in assisting their student's educational success
- That parents are encouraged to be actively involved in their student's education
- That parents are full partners in their student's education and are included in school decision-making and on advisory committees to assist in the education of their student

In compliance with the community relations policy of the Columbus City Schools Board, Valleyview Elementary agrees to implement requirements to:

- Involve parents in the planning and development of effective parent involvement activities through representation on the school site based council
- Build both the school and family capacity for parent involvement by:

Providing parents with information on state standards, assessments, requirements of Title I, monitoring student progress and working with educators. Information will be provided during annual meetings, including parent teacher conferences, newsletters, on our school website and information throughout the school year.

Providing materials and resources to help parents work with their students to improve academic achievement. Resources will be provided in school/classroom newsletters, through teacher communications and curriculum-related events.

Communicating regularly with parents in clear and understandable terms. This will include opportunities for parents to participate in decision making roles, volunteer opportunities, Title I meetings, newsletters, conferences and surveys. Collaborating with parents to set up time for a parent/teacher conference night. Parent teacher meetings can also be scheduled at any time as requested by parents and with the availability of staff members

This policy was approved by the Building Leadership Team of Valleyview Elementary in the Columbus City School district. The school will make this policy available to all parents.