



# Parent & Family Engagement Policy

Pearland Junior High South, Title I, 2025-2026

## Title I Parent and Family Engagement (PFE) Program Overview

### What is Title I?

The federal Title 1 program funds schools with high numbers of educationally disadvantaged students, and in exchange, the district commits to fulfilling requirements set by the Texas Education Agency and the U.S. Department of Education.



Pearland Junior High South operates a Title I School-wide program, which allows a school to use Title I funds to upgrade the entire educational program, providing extra support, resources, and strategies to help all students meet state academic standards. The goal is to enhance overall school performance and close achievement gaps.

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## Funding for Parent Engagement Program



The district must reserve 1% of Title 1 funds for Parent and Family Engagement (PFE), totaling \$19,647 for 2025-2026. Based on last year's Parent Advisory Council recommendations, campuses will receive PFE funds allocated by the number of educationally disadvantaged students, equating to \$5.58 per ED student. Families of Title 1 students are given opportunities to collaborate meaningfully with schools and the district on engagement programs and activities.

**Review**

Funding and activities can be reviewed by the Texas Education Agency upon request to ensure they meet the need of the PFE program.

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## Campus Title I Parent Advisory Committee (PAC)

If your student attends Junior High South you may join our Title I Parent Advisory Committee (PAC) by completing this form. The Title I PAC serves to provide an opportunity to provide input on campus parent and family engagement programs. This committee meets at least 3 times per year, either in-person or online, with additional email communications.

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## PFE Policy and Other Title I Documents

The PFE Policy and other Title I documents are available on the district website at [this link](#). Hard copies can be requested from Mr. Frerking at (phone) and (email).

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## Parent and Family Opportunities

### Parent Meetings

Parent and family meetings and activities offer a time for the school and family to build relationships and communicate important information.

Junior High South campus holds an Fall Annual Title I meeting twice—both meetings early in the year (sometimes one is before Meet Your Teacher Night), and a second meeting either in person at a different time or virtually. Families should contact their student’s campus for details.

### How to be Involved

Parents are encouraged to become involved in their student's education. Parents, guardians, and adult family members can:

- volunteer in Pearland ISD, by filling out the volunteer application on the Pearland ISD website. [LINK](#)
- attend Title I family meetings and family trainings/activities at the school.
- talk to your child’s teacher about how to help/volunteer in the classroom.

Parents, guardians, and adult family members are encouraged to get involved by volunteering (fill out this form on the Pearland ISD website ([LINK](#)), attending Title I family meetings and activities, and communicating with their child’s teacher about classroom volunteering opportunities.

### Family Supports /Activities

Pearland ISD supports Title I campuses in planning and implementing family engagement to improve student achievement, with specific activities available at each campus. The district also hosts parent events like #IWILLASK, Carousel of Resources Night, Forever 15, and monthly online Coffee with the Counselors meetings. (see the [district's Guidance Services Webpage](#)).

Pearland ISD hosts parent and community events including the Pearland Agricultural Expo, Special Education Expo, College Nights (in partnership with other districts), Biliteracy Night, and Career & Technical Education events.

The [district event calendar](#) has a monthly listing of all district events.

A Title I campus is not required to have all of the events listed above, except for the Annual Title I Meetings.

**Ways to Request a Meeting:**

Parents and families may request a meeting with their student's teacher by contacting the teacher or the campus principal. Here is a link to our campus webpage.

If you have a question for the district about Title I, please contact Donna Tate, Federal Programs/Grants Administrator, by email to [tated@pearlandisd.org](mailto:tated@pearlandisd.org) or call 281-485-3203 X74949.

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## Academic Information

### Curriculum

Pearland Junior High South uses high-quality curricula based on the Texas Essential Knowledge and Skills (TEKS) standards to support student success across all subjects. The TEKS for all grades and subjects can be found [here](#).

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## Campus Academic Goals/Areas of Focus

For 2025-2026, South has set the following goals:  
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## Assessment Information



### Forms of Academic Assessments

Pearland Junior High South uses common formative and summative assessments aligned to TEKS and modeled after the state STAAR test when applicable. Some also have Beginning and End of Year assessments. Families can contact their student's campus for assessment details.

### Expected Achievement Levels on State Academic Assessments:

Students in grades 7-8 take Reading Language Arts and Math STAAR tests; Science and Social Studies STAAR are also given in grade 8. End-of-course STAAR tests are administered in Algebra I for students enrolled in Algebra I in junior high.

Information on the State's STAAR Test and Performance Standards can be found on this [website](#).

TELPAS is a state assessment aligned with Texas English Language Proficiency Standards (ELPS) to support Emergent Bilingual (EB) students. EB students at Title I campuses take TELPAS each spring. Testing standards information is available online at [this website](#).

## Evaluation

Around spring break, Title I campuses will survey parents via Skyward to evaluate both the district and the campus Parent and Family Engagement program and policies. Feedback will help improve these programs and policies for the following school year.

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## School-Parent Compact

**School/Staff Pledge:** I will do my best to-

- Teach with care for each child as a whole person.
- Meet each child's unique learning needs.
- Communicate well with parents.
- Offer training for parents.
- Expect all students to do their best.
- Keep learning to improve teaching.
- Read something every day.
- Be a helpful team member.
- Attend school events.
- Challenge students to reach their potential.

**Parent Pledge:** I will do my best to-

- Help my child attend school every day and on time.
- Communicate with teachers regularly.
- Read with my child daily and talk about it.
- Provide books and discuss news.
- Praise my child's efforts every day.
- Support homework time with guidance.
- Monitor screen time and encourage family activities.
- Help my child be responsible and prepared for school.
- Make sure my child sleeps well, eats well, and stays healthy.
- Support school rules.
- Be involved in my child's school life.

**Student Pledge:** I will do my best to-

- Pay attention, work hard, and listen.
- Treat others kindly and with respect.
- Be responsible: do homework, eat well, sleep well, come to school ready.
- Try harder than expected.
- Keep improving my learning.
- Read at home every day.
- Follow school rules and dress code.
- Have a positive attitude.
- Attend school events.

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## Ongoing Communication

Junior High South provides multiple methods of communication:

- Skyward messages
- Parent-Teacher Conferences
- Progress reports (dates set by district calendar)
- Report cards (dates set by district calendar)
- Newsletters and Calendar

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## Required Translation

When students enroll, families complete a Home Language Survey to identify languages spoken at home. If 10% or more of the students at our campus speak the same home language, required district Title I documents are translated into that language; currently, English and Spanish are provided by default. For other languages below 10%, oral translation is available upon request. Additionally, district and campus websites can be translated using a language menu accessed via a flag icon at the bottom of the website.



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## Feedback Form

Parents and families can provide anonymous feedback on the policy or engagement activities anytime using [this link](#). The survey has an option to share contact info for follow-up.

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## Traducción al español

\*Si requiere ayuda en traducir este documento, por favor hable al 281-485-3203, X74949 o mande correo electrónico a [tated@pearlandisd.org](mailto:tated@pearlandisd.org).

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