

Southmont Elementary

Title I Family Engagement Policy

2025-2026

The Title I Every Student Succeeds Act (ESSA), a federal program, provides additional money to qualifying schools. The Davidson County School System upholds the philosophy of parent engagement with no-fault, consensus, and collaboration as its guiding principles. It also encourages and provides training opportunities for the parent or interested adult to be a team player in the education of children.

Family engagement means families and schools working together to help children learn, grow, and succeed. It is built on two-way communication, sharing ideas, and supporting one another so every child feels encouraged in their learning and healthy development at school and at home.

The goal of the Davidson County Schools Title I Program is to reach all families in a team-building effort in order to comply with all State and Federal requirements of the Title I Every Student Succeeds Act of 2015.

Southmont Elementary Title I School will:

- Convene an annual public meeting
- Offer parent and family nights, as well as parent-teacher conferences
- Involve parent representatives on the School Improvement Team, Parent Advisory Council and District Parent Advisory Council
- Offer opportunities for parent involvement and appreciation events
- Communicate through newsletters, websites, progress reports, report cards, school messenger, and Class DOJO
- Sign and commit to a Student-Teacher-Parent Compact
- Provide a digital quarterly newsletter
- Provide resources available for check out from the Parent Resource Center
- Communicate in a language parents can understand, including parents with disabilities and limited English proficiency