POINCIANA STEM ELEMENTARY
SCIENCE TECHNOLOGY ENGINEERING MATH

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Parent and Family Engagement Plan Summary

Parent and Family Engagement Mission Statement

Poinciana STEM is committed to involving parents in shared decision-making and encouraging parents to become active participants in their child's educational process by effectively communicating instructional goals, creating an inviting environment, and establishing our school as a focus of the community.

Annual Title I Meeting

Each year, Poinciana families are invited to the Annual Title I Meeting at the start of the school year. During this meeting, participants will learn about our schoolwide Title I Program, its requirements, and our Schoolwide Plan. The Annual Title I Meeting will take place on September 2, 2026, at 5:30 p.m. in the Cafeteria at Poinciana STEM Elementary School. Parents, teachers, and the community will be informed about the meeting through Class Dojo, Parent Link, the marquee, the school newsletter, the website, and invitations sent home in communication folders.

Parent and Family Engagement Trainings

Based on family survey feedback, we will offer the following activities to help families understand the state curriculum and assessments, supporting their children's academic success:

Books & Breakfast: Parents will learn how to understand grade-level expectations, set goals, and interpret FAST, iReady, and USA data. They will also explore how to use question stems to support reading at home. Families will participate in hands-on activities focusing on reading components like fluency, comprehension, phonics, phonemic awareness, and vocabulary. The goal is to equip parents with strategies to support literacy at home and enhance student achievement.

Math & Munchies: Parents will receive hands-on training to build their confidence in supporting mathematics at home. They will learn grade-level expectations, parent-friendly math strategies, and simple problem-solving routines that can be incorporated into daily activities. Families will also receive take-home resources and guidance on understanding FAST, i-Ready, and USA Assessment data to monitor student progress and support learning throughout the school year.

STEM Night: Parents will engage in hands-on STEM activities with students, learning more about Science, Technology, Engineering, and Mathematics through interactive stations. These stations will include robotics, LEGO challenges, and drawing activities, all in collaboration with the Cox Science Center.

Shared Decision-Making

We cordially invite families to participate in a variety of school events throughout the year. These gatherings are designed to share important academic updates, present student reports, and foster meaningful dialogue on how the school, families, and students can collaborate to promote student success. Your presence at School Advisory Council (SAC) meetings, parent-teacher conferences, Title I sessions, and parent workshops is highly valued—and we look forward to partnering with you.

Communication:
Poinciana STEM Elementary is committed to providing parents and families with timely, accessible information about Title I programs, meetings, and activities. This includes details on the School-Parent Compact, PFEP summary, Parent's Right-to-Know, and more, all provided in a language families can understand. Information will be shared through Parent Links, flyers, and DOJO posts.

To keep parents informed about student expectations, curriculum, and assessments, Poinciana STEM will offer presentations at SAC Meetings, Curriculum Nights, Parent Conferences, and Parent Trainings. These sessions will outline the proficiency levels students are expected to meet and provide insights into academic assessments used to track progress. The Pasta with Parents: Data Night will focus on strategies and tips for helping students prepare for assessments, with teachers sharing test item specifications and sample questions.

Parents will also have opportunities to participate in decision-making regarding their child's education. They will be invited to provide input through SAC and PTA meetings, conferences, and surveys. Virtual conference options and flexible meeting times will be offered to accommodate parents' schedules.

Additionally, the CNA process and Title I Annual Meeting will serve as open forums for parent feedback. Poinciana STEM will ensure meeting dates and times are convenient, avoiding conflicts with middle and high school events, and offering virtual options where possible.

Accessibility for All Families:
We will send notifications in the home languages of our families, including Haitian Creole and Spanish. To support parents and families with limited English proficiency, translators will be available at events.

Poinciana STEM Elementary is committed to accessibility for all families. We provide handicapped parking, ramps, accessible bathrooms, and an elevator. Select seating and audio enhancement options are also available. Additionally, meeting invitations will include information on requesting additional accommodations.

In the event of migrant families, we will collaborate with the District's Migrant Program to provide opportunities for participation via Google Meet and offer free backpacks, school supplies, and uniforms.

Volunteers:
We encourage families to volunteer at our school to support student and teacher success. For more information about volunteer opportunities, please contact our Volunteer Coordinator, Mrs. Yohanna Brutus, at (561) 739-5700. We'd love to have your help!

Our Plan:
This plan was developed in partnership with families, staff, and members of our school community. We welcome your suggestions to enhance our family engagement practices. If you have any comments, please email Mrs. Parker at lacrista.parker@palmbeachschools.org. We also encourage you to attend our SAC Meetings and complete the annual Parent and Family Engagement Survey.