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Parent & Family Engagement Policy 2026-2027

Mission

A shared responsibility between families, schools, and communities for student learning and achievement that engages ALL families, fosters positive home-school connections, and provides intentional opportunities that support student success.

FACILITATE FAMILY-TO-FAMILY SUPPORT

Provide a safe and welcoming campus environment by offering parents multiple opportunities to participate in campus initiatives, such as:

- Campus Academic Nights
- Fall Festival
- Field Trips
- Ram Talk Parent Meetings
- Ram Booster Club
- Events throughout the school year



CURRICULUM AND ACADEMIC ASSESSMENTS

Palo Alto Elementary utilizes a high-quality curriculum aligned with the Texas Essential Knowledge and Skills (TEKS) to support student success and prepare students to meet or exceed Texas academic achievement standards. Information regarding curriculum and academic assessments is available on the district website.
https://www.southsanisd.net/departme nts/curriculum-instruction/home



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- Believes Families are Critical Partners in Student's Academic Success.
- Will include Families to participate in the development of, but Not Limited to, the Campus Improvement Plans, Campus Parent and Family Engagement Policies, and School-Parent Compacts by offering a flexible number of meetings to Plan, Review, and Provide Feedback Annually. All Information shared with Families will be delivered in a format and language that is as clear and understandable as possible.

The Parent & Family Engagement Policy is evaluated, reviewed, and revised at our feedback meetings throughout the school year.
Annual Evaluation: The Parent and Family Engagement Program will be evaluated annually using parent surveys, meeting feedback, and participation data. Results will be used to revise the Parent and Family Engagement Policy, School-Parent Compact, and family engagement activities.

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PARENT LIAISONS

South San Antonio ISD has provided each of its campuses with a Parent Liaison whose responsibility is to attain district goals that support students' academic achievement by empowering parents/families with but not limited to

- Parent Liaisons will conduct regular parent meetings
- Parent Liaisons will offer activities focused on assisting parents in the SSAISD progress monitoring tools to support their children's academic achievement.
- Parent Liaisons will also provide technical assistance by offering training and resources on Skyward, student progress monitoring, literacy and math strategies, technology tools, STAAR readiness, and available community resources to strengthen family support for student learning.

INCREASE FAMILY VOICE IN DECISION MAKING

Offer opportunities for families to advocate for their children and guide decision-making through:

- Ongoing communication with teachers, principals, and school staff; engaging families in the development of the Campus Improvement Plans; Parent-Teacher Conferences
- Annual Title I Meeting
- Annual District-Wide Parent and Family Engagement meeting
- Identify and reduce barriers that may limit family participation, including work schedules, transportation, childcare, language, technology access, and disabilities, by providing flexible meeting times, virtual participation opportunities, translated materials, and other reasonable accommodations when available.

DEVELOP STAFF SKILLS TO SUPPORT FAMILIES IN MEETING THEIR CHILDREN'S LEARNING TARGETS

Educate campus personnel on the value and contributions of parents and families, ways to reach out, communicate with, and work with parents as partners to ensure all students are successful by providing:

- Training on culturally responsive family engagement strategies and instructional best practices
- Resources to help families support learning at home
- Ongoing consultation with campus support



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Information will be provided in English and Spanish and, upon request, in additional languages or accessible formats. Interpretation services and reasonable accommodations for individuals with disabilities are available to ensure all families have meaningful access to Parent and Family Engagement activities.
For translation services contact the central office @ (210)977-7000