

J. E. Fritz Elementary School

Parent, Caregiver, and Family Engagement Plan

2026-2027

The Title I Parent, Caregiver, and Family Engagement section of the Every Student Succeeds Act (ESSA), Section 1116 requires each Title I school to develop a written parent, caregiver, and family engagement policy that describes the means for carrying out the requirements of Section 1116. The school must ensure that information related to school and parent programs, meetings, and other activities are sent to the parents of Title I students in a format and in a language the parents can understand. This policy was:

- Developed jointly with and agreed upon by parents, caregivers, and family members of Title I children;
- Written in an understandable format and provided in a language parents can understand;
- Distributed to all parents, caregivers, and family members of Title I children;
- Made available to the local community; and
- Updated annually to meet the changing needs of parents, caregivers, and family members, and the school.

Fritz Elementary School will, to the extent feasible and appropriate, coordinate and integrate parent and family engagement programs and activities with other Federal, state, and local programs, including public preschool programs, and conduct other activities that encourage and support parents, caregivers, and family members in more fully participating in their children's education.

Parents, caregivers, and family members will be involved in planning, reviewing, and improving the school's Parent, Caregiver, and Family Engagement Policy through Title I parent meetings and an annual survey.

An **annual meeting** will be held during a fall PTO meeting each year to inform parents, caregivers, and family members of the school's Title I program, explain its requirements, and explain the parents' right to be involved. A document describing the Title I program will be published on the website. A Reading and Math Intervention Notification Letter is sent to parents when students begin receiving additional services.

The Fritz Elementary School Title I program will ensure parents, caregivers, and family members access to the following:

- **Regular family meetings and conferences:**
 - Offered at different times during the day
 - Morning, afternoon, or evening
- **Timely Communication:**
 - Meetings, parent-teacher conferences, parent workshops, school events, and progress reports are distributed three times a year.
 - Reasonable access to staff, and opportunities to volunteer and participate/observe in their child's classroom.

- Two-way meaningful communication between parents, caregivers, and family members and school staff members should be provided, to the extent practicable, in a language parents can understand. CVSD uses interpreting services to provide this communication.
- Ensure participation of families with limited English proficiency using Transperfect Interpreting services, on-site interpretation at Parent-Teacher conferences and school academic nights, translated documents for school events, and 1:1 outreach from ESL staff.
- **Curriculum:**
 - Description and explanation of the curriculum
 - Academic assessments used to measure student progress
 - Student's achievement levels through a standards-based progress report
 - Curriculum home/school connections
 - Additional reading or math academic supports as needed through the school's Multi-Tiered System of Support (MTSS)
 - Assistance to parents, caregivers, and family members in understanding the state academic standards, state and local academic assessments
 - Progress Monitoring Data
- **Meetings:**
 - Opportunities for regular meetings to formulate suggestions and to participate, as appropriate, in decisions relating to the education of their children.
 - Parent-teacher conferences, academic student support meetings (as needed), and regular home-school communication.

The Title I Family—School Compact has been jointly developed with parents, caregivers, and family members. It outlines how parents, caregivers, family members, school staff, and students will share responsibility for improved student achievement. The compact will be reviewed at Title I parent meetings and distributed annually at parent-teacher conferences.

Fritz Elementary School will provide materials and training to help parents, caregivers, and family members work with their children to improve their children's achievement. Examples of this training include:

- Kindergarten Transition activities
- Literacy and Math Nights
- Night of the Arts/Expressive Arts Night
- All Pro Dads

Title I funds may be used to pay reasonable and necessary expenses associated with parents, caregivers, and family engagement activities. This may include transportation, childcare, food, books, and manipulatives.

With the input of parents, caregivers, and family members, Fritz Elementary School will educate teachers, support personnel, and other staff members on how to reach out to and communicate with parents, caregivers, and family members as equal partners. CVSD will implement and coordinate parent programs and build ties between parents, caregivers, family members, and the school. Parent input will be part of the agendas for Title I parent meetings.

Fritz Family Engagement Activities 2026-2027

July/August	New Student Tours Kindergarten Kick-Start Back to School Nights
September	All Pro Dads Barnstormers Night PTO meeting International Family Night (sign up for apps)
October	All Pro Dads Benchmark Testing Fritz Fall Fest PTO meeting
November	All Pro Dads PTO meeting Veteran's Day event Parent/Teacher Conferences Report Card Distribution Scholastic Book Fair
December	All Pro Dads Winter Sing-a-Long PTO meeting
January	All Pro Dads Benchmark Testing BINGO Night PTO meeting
February	All Pro Dads Title 1 Family Night Kindergarten Express Stop #1 - Kickoff to Kindergarten PTO meeting
March	Kindergarten Express Stop #2 - Kindergarten Registration All Pro Dads PTO meeting Parent/Teacher Conferences Report Card Distribution
April	All Pro Dads PSSA Testing Teacher Pizza Delivery PTO meeting
May	Kindergarten Express Stop #3 - Kindergarten Screening All Pro Dads Benchmark Testing PTO Family Event PTO meeting Expressive Arts Night / Scholastic Book Fair