

Parent and Family Engagement Policy 2026-2027

Imogene Gideon Elementary

Mansfield ISD

Statement of Purpose

Imogene Gideon Elementary fosters an atmosphere of academic achievement and community pride. Through the collaborative efforts of staff members, parents, and students, we strive to increase the academic success of all learners. This policy outlines how we will build strong family-school partnerships in compliance with Section 1116 of ESSA.

What is Parent & Family Engagement?

Parent and family engagement means the active involvement of families in their child's education. It includes regular two-way communication, shared decision-making, and opportunities to support student learning both at home and at school.

Expectations & Objectives

We believe all students can achieve at high levels when families and schools work together. Our objectives are to:

- Provide families with resources to support learning at home.
 - Create meaningful opportunities for parents to give input and feedback.
 - Build a culture of trust and shared responsibility for student success.
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Funding

Imogene Gideon Elementary is a Title I school. A portion of federal Title I funds are allocated to parent and family engagement activities, including workshops, training sessions, and family events that promote academic achievement.

Policy Review

This policy will be reviewed annually by staff, parents, and community members through:

- PTA Meetings
 - Campus Site-Based Decision Making (SBDM) Meetings
 - School Curriculum Nights
 - Annual Parent Surveys
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School-Family Meetings

Parents will be invited to regular school-family meetings including:

- **Annual Title I Meeting:** August 25th, 2025: 8:00-9:00am; 5:30-7:00pm; August 27th, 2025: 5:30-7:00pm
 - **Parent-Teacher Conferences:** October 19th 7:30-12:00pm
 - **Open House:** March 23rd 5:30-7:00pm
 - **Father's Read:** October 23rd 7:30-9:00am
 - **Storyland and STEAM Nights:** January 26th and October 20th 5:30-7:00
 - **Multi-Cultural Night:** March 23rd 5:30-7:00pm
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How Families Can Be Involved

Parents and guardians can be involved in many ways:

- Volunteering at school events
 - Serving on committees (PTA, SBDM, Gator Dads)
 - Participating in family engagement nights
 - Attending workshops to support student learning at home
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Family Trainings & Activities

Imogene Gideon offers activities to build parent knowledge and skills, such as:

- Family Literacy & Math Nights
 - Parent University sessions
 - Curriculum-focused events (science, fine arts, etc.)
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Curriculum & Academic Information

Parents will receive information on:

- Curriculum in all core content areas (Math, Reading, Science, Social Studies)
- Strategies for helping students at home

- Homework expectations and grading policies
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Forms of Academic Assessments

Student progress is measured using:

- MAP Growth Assessments
 - CBA (Curriculum-Based Assessments)
 - State Assessments (STAAR, TELPAS)
 - Classroom-based formative assessments
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Expected Achievement Levels

Families will be informed of expected grade-level standards and performance goals at:

- Title I Annual Meeting
 - Parent–Teacher Conferences
 - Progress Reports & Report Cards
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Requesting Regular Meetings

Parents may request meetings with teachers, administrators, or staff at any time by:

- Calling the front office
 - Emailing their child’s teacher
 - Using ParentSquare or Skyward Family Access
- Meetings will be scheduled at a time convenient for families.
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School–Parent Compact

The School–Parent Compact outlines shared responsibilities for student learning:

- **School’s Responsibilities:** Provide high-quality instruction, communicate regularly, and ensure a safe learning environment.
 - **Family’s Responsibilities:** Ensure student attendance, support learning at home, and maintain communication with school staff.
 - **Student’s Responsibilities:** Attend school ready to learn, complete assignments, and demonstrate respect for self and others.
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On-Going Communication

Families will receive communication through:

- ParentSquare
 - School Website
 - Email, newsletters, and social media
 - Phone calls and conferences
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