

DeChaumes Elementary School

Parent and Family Engagement Policy 2026-2027

Title I, Part A

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Parent & Family Engagement (PFE) Program	
What is it?	DeChaumes Elementary is committed to building a strong partnership among families, school staff, students, and the community. Through the Title I, Part A program, the school provides opportunities for families to participate meaningfully in their children's education and in school improvement efforts designed to support student academic achievement and the State's high standards.
Funding	Title I funds will be used to support the implementation of the Parent and Family Engagement (PFE) program. Activities and resources will be planned with meaningful consultation from parents and families of participating students.
Planning & Review	Parents and families will be invited to participate in planning, reviewing, and improving the Parent and Family Engagement Policy and the Schoolwide/Campus Action Plan. Feedback may be provided during family meetings, school events, conferences, or by contacting campus administration.
Family Meetings / Annual Title I Meeting	Parent meetings provide opportunities for the school and families to share information, ask questions, provide feedback, and learn about Title I participation, requirements, and parent rights. The same Annual Title I information will be offered at two times for family convenience: • August 6, 2026 - 4:00-4:30 PM: Annual Title I Meeting; 4:30-5:00 PM: Meet the Teacher. • September 10, 2026 - 4:00-4:30 PM: Annual Title I Meeting; 4:30-5:00 PM: Open House. • Meeting and event updates will be communicated through school communication channels and the DeChaumes Elementary website.
How to be Involved	Volunteer and participate in school and classroom activities when opportunities are available. • Attend parent-teacher conferences, family meetings, trainings, and academic events. • Provide suggestions and participate in decisions regarding your child's education. • Communicate with your child's teacher and campus staff about questions, concerns, or support needs. • Participate in school partnership opportunities such as PTO and campus committees when available.
Family Trainings / Activities	August 6, 2026 - Meet the Teacher, 4:30-5:00 PM (Annual Title I Meeting, 4:00-4:30 PM). • September 2, 2026 - Family Technology & Information Update Night, 4:00-5:00 PM. • September 10, 2026 - Open House, 4:30-5:00 PM (Annual Title I Meeting, 4:00-4:30 PM). • October 12-26, 2026 - Book Fair; parent access time 3:00-3:30 PM. • October 15, 2026 - Family Literacy Night, 4:00-5:30 PM. • November 17-19, 2026 - Thanksgiving Luncheon with parents, scheduled by grade level. • December 10, 2026 - Winter Open House, 4:00-5:00 PM. • Schedules are subject to change. Changes will be communicated to families through campus communication channels.
Curriculum	DeChaumes Elementary follows Houston ISD curriculum and instruction aligned to the Texas Essential Knowledge and Skills (TEKS). The TEKS identify what students should know and be able to do in each subject and grade level. Families may request information about grade-level curriculum, instructional expectations, and available academic programs from teachers or campus administration.
Forms of Academic Assessments	Student progress is measured using classroom assignments, formative and summative assessments, district assessments, and applicable State of Texas assessments. For STAAR-tested grades and subjects, instruction and assessment are aligned to the State's assessed curriculum. Families receive information about their child's academic progress and assessment results.
Expected Achievement Levels on Academic Assessments	Parents will receive explanations of academic expectations, proficiency levels, and individual student results. DeChaumes Elementary uses progress information to help families and teachers understand student growth and identify next instructional steps. Report cards are issued every nine weeks, and families are encouraged to monitor progress throughout each grading period.
Communication & Progress Information	DeChaumes Elementary will maintain regular two-way, meaningful communication with families in a language and format parents can understand whenever practicable.

	Communication may include parent-teacher conferences, progress reports/report cards, student work samples, assessment updates, phone or electronic communication, and school website/communication updates.
Parent-Teacher Conferences	Parent-teacher conferences will be provided at least annually in elementary school to discuss the School-Parent Compact, student progress, academic needs, and ways families and teachers can work together to support learning.
Ways to Request Regular Meetings / Feedback	Parents may request a meeting with a teacher or administrator when they have questions, suggestions, ideas, or concerns about their child's education. Families may contact the school office at (713) 696-2676 or communicate directly with the appropriate staff member. DeChaumes welcomes family feedback and participation in school decisions.

School-Parent Compact

School Responsibilities	Parent/Guardian Responsibilities	Student Responsibilities	On-Going Communication
- Provide high-quality, TEKS-aligned curriculum and instruction. - Provide a supportive and effective learning environment. - Provide progress information and reasonable access to staff. - Provide opportunities for family participation and meaningful two-way communication.	- Support regular attendance and punctuality. - Stay informed and respond to school communication. - Support homework, reading, and learning at home. - Participate in conferences, meetings, and school activities when possible.	- Attend school regularly and arrive on time. - Complete schoolwork and homework on time. - Follow the School Code of Conduct. - Read independently at home and share school communications with family members.	- Parent-teacher conferences. - Progress reports and report cards. - Phone/electronic communication and school website updates. - Family meetings, trainings, and academic events.

Contact Information

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