



Eden Prairie District/School Family Engagement Plan

2026-27 School Year

Effective: July 1, 2026 – June 30, 2027

Adopted in alignment with District Policy 612.1

The Mission of Eden Prairie Schools is to:

Inspire each student to learn continuously so they are empowered to reach personal fulfillment and contribute purposefully to our ever-changing world.

Eden Prairie is committed to providing a quality education for each child in our district. An integral part of our Strategic Plan is to “engage our stakeholders to achieve our mission.” This collaborative effort includes staff, students, parents, and community members and will provide the support needed to meet each of the following Mission Outcomes:

- Each student will achieve personal and district expectations and be inspired to learn continuously.
- Each student will enthusiastically and confidently engage in the continual pursuit of personal goals and aspirations.
- Each student will proactively engage in actions that contribute to community.

In alignment with Eden Prairie Schools’ Mission and the Minnesota Department of Education requirements for schools with a Title I program, we are committed to providing meaningful opportunities for families of students participating in Title I services to engage in their children’s education. This District/School Family Engagement Plan serves as the written parent and family engagement policy and plan for each Eden Prairie Schools Title I school. We are committed to ensuring engagement opportunities are accessible and meaningful for all families, including those whose home language is not English, families of children with disabilities, and families who are new to our community or whose children have experienced interrupted schooling. The District/School Family Engagement Plan will be distributed to parents and family members of students participating in Title I services and will be made available to the local community through our district website and school communication channels. The plan will be provided in an understandable and uniform format and, to the extent practicable, in a language that parents and family members understand.

Eden Prairie Schools values family feedback on this plan. Parents and family members of students participating in Title I services will be meaningfully involved in jointly developing, reviewing, and revising this plan.

Family Engagement

Each Title I school will provide an opportunity early in the school year, in conjunction with the school's planned Back to School Night or Open House, for parents and family members to learn about the school's participation in Title I, Part A services, the Title I program, and opportunities for family involvement.

Schools will provide timely information about Title I services and the school's educational program, including information about curriculum, academic assessments, and student progress, through meetings, written communications, conferences, school websites, and other communication methods accessible to families.

Schools will provide flexible opportunities for families to participate in meetings and engagement activities. As appropriate and available, schools will provide assistance to encourage and facilitate participation, including interpretation or translation, accessible communication formats, and other reasonable supports. Schools will make reasonable efforts to schedule meetings at times that are accessible to families.

Title I Information and Parent Involvement

As required by the Every Student Succeeds Act, each Title I school will provide an Annual Title I Meeting to inform participating parents and family members about the school's participation in Title I, Part A services, the requirements of Title I, and their rights and opportunities to be involved. The Annual Title I Meeting will be provided at all Title I sites in conjunction with planned school events but will be separately advertised and will include all required Title I content, including distribution of this District/School Family Engagement Plan in accessible formats and administration of a family engagement survey.

Parents and family members will have opportunities to participate in the planning, review, and improvement of the school's Title I program. Opportunities for family input may include surveys, Title I meetings, family engagement events, and other opportunities to provide feedback and suggestions. Families will also have opportunities to offer suggestions and participate, as appropriate, in decisions related to Title I services, family engagement activities, and the use of parent and family engagement funds. Feedback from parents and family members will be considered when the plan is reviewed and revised each year.

All Title I schools will jointly develop and review a School-Parent Compact with parents and family members of students participating in Title I services. The compact will describe shared responsibilities for student learning and achievement and will provide a framework for families, students, and school staff to work together to support student success. Schools will provide opportunities for parents and family members to provide input on the compact in conjunction with parent conferences and will communicate and distribute the compact in accessible formats and languages to participating families as services begin.

Where applicable, Eden Prairie Schools will involve the parents and family members of children served in Title I schools in decisions about how the one percent of Title I funds reserved for parent involvement is spent and will ensure that not less than 95 percent of the one percent goes directly to the schools.

Building Capacity for Family Engagement

Eden Prairie Schools will provide opportunities to build the capacity of parents and family members and school staff to work together as partners in supporting improved student achievement. Family engagement opportunities will provide

families with information, resources, and strategies they can use to support their children's learning at home and in partnership with school staff. Staff will receive professional learning, resources, and guidance to strengthen effective family engagement practices, communication, and partnerships with families. Participation is documented through site-level sign-in sheets collected at annual Title I meetings and other family engagement events.

Eden Prairie Schools will use family feedback and other available information to evaluate the effectiveness of family engagement activities and identify opportunities for improvement. The evaluation will consider barriers that may limit family participation, the needs of families in supporting their children's learning and engaging with school staff, and strategies for strengthening successful school-family interactions. Findings from the evaluation will be used to develop and improve family engagement strategies and to inform revisions to the District/School Family Engagement Plan and school-level family engagement practices.

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