Troutman Elementary School's Family Engagement Policy 2026-2027

Troutman Elementary school staff strive to build lasting relationships with students and their families in order to maximize the educational potential of every student. The key to these relationships is communication between school and home, educational opportunities for families, and individual parent-teacher conferences. Listed below are the events that occur throughout the school year, with dates and times publicized on our school webpage, school marquee, Facebook page, and through the Mass Notification phone messaging system.

School Events:

- Open House for all students in K-4; Aug 10th from 2:30-5:30 PM
- 5th Grade Orientation, August 4th from 5:30-6:30.
- Kindergarten Registration (March 2027)- enrollment is completed on-line. Note: Parkertown Elementary School opens in August 2027. Re-districting and new school zone will be defined soon.
- Book Fairs- this opportunity occurs three times a school year for students and their families to purchase books from the Scholastic Book Fair. Extended after school hours and teacher workdays make it possible for working families to come into the Book Fair.
- Parent-Teacher Conferences: this year, TES will conduct at least one teacher-parent conference each semester. Parent-teacher conferences are held after 2:45 PM and/or on Teacher Workdays.
- DEP Conferences- annual meetings between the AIG cluster teacher and parents of AIG students. The purpose of these meetings is to develop a year-long plan for enrichment.
- PTO Meetings are held in the school's media center. Dates and time of PTO meetings can be found on the PTO Facebook page. If you have any questions about PTO, please email Anita McMillan, PTO Secretary, at amcmillan@iss.k12.nc.us.
- School Improvement Meetings are scheduled one time per month starting at 2:45 PM in the Media Center. Dates of upcoming meetings are located on the school website and parents are welcome to attend at any time.

Methods of Communication between Home and School:

- Weekly Newsletters (school and classroom) each teacher will send home a newsletter of upcoming classroom/school activities.
- Parent Square- individual teacher and school-wide messaging system for families
- TES Facebook Page and school website
- TES PTO Facebook Page
- Teachers may also communicate with families via email, text messages, classroom Dojo, daily student behavior charts, weekly communication folders, and phone calls.