Parent and Family Engagement Policy
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2026–2027 Parent and Family Engagement (PFE) Program Policy — Red STEM Magnet Elementary School	
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What is it?	Red Elementary's Title I, Part A Parent and Family Engagement Policy establishes regular, two-way, meaningful communication between families and school staff to support student learning and school activities. • Parents are integral partners in assisting their children's learning and are encouraged to participate actively in school. • Families may help make decisions and participate in advisory committees and other school activities as appropriate. • The policy is shared in a format and language families can understand and reviewed periodically to meet changing needs.
Funding	As a Title I, Part A school, Red Elementary involves families in decisions about how parent and family engagement funds are used. • Families have an opportunity to provide input on the 1% of Title I, Part A funds reserved for parent involvement; the PDF policy states that at least 95% of that reserved amount goes directly to schools. • Support may include family engagement activities, parent training and learning materials, subject to available resources and applicable requirements.
Review	Red Elementary will review and periodically update its Parent and Family Engagement Policy to reflect the needs of the school and families. • Parents may provide input through Title I meetings, the Parent Teacher Organization (PTO), Family and Community Engagement programs and surveys. • If families find the Title I schoolwide plan unsatisfactory, parent comments will be submitted with the plan to Houston Independent School District. *2026–2027 review/approval meeting date(s): May 2027*
Family Meetings	Red Elementary will hold an annual Title I, Part A meeting in two sessions to explain the Title I program, requirements, and families' right to be involved. • Meetings will be offered at convenient times, including morning or evening opportunities when feasible. • Additional grade-level meetings and break-out sessions will address family needs and provide hands-on activities. • Families will receive meeting information through ParentSquare, school communications and other campus channels. *Annual Title I meeting dates/times: August/September 2026* *Location/virtual access: Red ES Library/Cafeteria*
How to Be Involved	• Attend Title I meetings, grade-level parent meetings, Meet the Teacher, Open House, family learning nights and Coffee with the Principal.

	• Join the Red Parent Teacher Organization (PTO), volunteer, participate in classroom activities or request to observe classroom learning. • Offer suggestions through family surveys, Title I/PTO/Family and Community Engagement opportunities, and parent conferences. • Communicate with teachers and school staff using ParentSquare, take-home folders, email, text and other shared school communication channels. • Request conferences and participate in decisions about your child's education.
Family Trainings/Activities	The school offers materials, training, workshops and events to help families support academic achievement and use educational technology. • Examples in the 2026–2027 policy include Family Math Night, Family Literacy Night, Meet the Teacher, Open House, grade-level parent meetings and Coffee with the Principal. • Family and Community Engagement workshops, literacy support, school technology resources and Canvas information may be provided. • Counseling services and other school/community supports can connect families with additional resources. *2026–2027 event dates/times and locations:* • Meet the Teacher – August 5 (Pre-K-2) & 6 (3rd-5th), 2026 – 3:30pm – 5pm • Open House – September 23 (pre-K-2) & 24 (3rd – 5th), 2026 – 5:00pm – 6:30pm • Family STEM Night – October 22, 2026 – 5pm-7pm – Red ES Cafeteria • PTO Family Paint Night – November 13, 2026 – 5pm-7pm – Red ES Cafeteria Other Fall dates, as well as Spring Activities will be added as they are confirmed.
Curriculum	Red Elementary will explain the school curriculum, learning goals and how classroom instruction connects to Texas academic content standards. Schoolwide goals will be updated in alignment with the campus Action Plan. *Curriculum details/grade-level resources: Red ES implements the District-provided curriculum which meets state standards and is in alignment with Grade-level appropriate TEKS.*
Forms of Academic Assessments	Families will receive information about state and local assessments, including alternate assessments when applicable. • STAAR (State of Texas Assessments of Academic Readiness): families receive individual reports and an explanation of results, including mathematics, language arts and reading as applicable. • Other progress measures identified in the policy include NWEA MAP and Circle Assessments. • The campus will share student progress reports and explain assessment information through school communication channels.
Expected Achievement Levels on Academic Assessments	Student achievement is measured against Texas academic content and student achievement standards, including STAAR expectations. • Teachers and school staff will explain the proficiency levels and academic performance expectations students are expected to meet.

	• Parents will receive student assessment results and progress information and may discuss what they mean for their child.
Ways to Request Regular Meetings	Parents may request regular meetings or conferences with teachers or campus staff to make suggestions, discuss their child's progress and participate in educational decisions. • Contact your child's teacher through ParentSquare, school correspondence, email or phone; the campus number is 713-726-3638. • Meetings may be arranged at practical times, and the school will respond to suggestions as soon as practicable. • Surveys and campus engagement opportunities also allow parents to share ideas.
School-Parent Compact (See separate School-Parent Compact template for guidance)	Red Elementary will jointly develop a School–Parent Compact with input from school staff, students and families. • The compact describes shared responsibility for student academic success and strengthening school–family partnerships. • The compact and schoolwide goals will be reviewed in connection with the school Action Plan. *The 2026–2027 School–Parent Compact is available on campus and on the campus website: https://red.houstonisd.org/*