ISLANDS ELEMENTARY

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Family and Community Engagement

Students are more successful when schools, families and communities work together. Here at Islands Elementary, we hope to create an environment where family engagement is an integral part of our students' education. The Islands Elementary Title I program will use the following engagement opportunities:

- **Title I Program Information** will be presented to parents at the beginning of the year, explaining our Schoolwide Title Program.
- **A School Curriculum Night** will be held near the beginning of the school year to inform parents of the Arizona Standards and Assessments.
- A **Title I Family Engagement** event will be held twice per year. Families will learn how to implement intentional strategies that empower them to support learning at home.
- **Parent/Teacher Conferences** will be held each year with flexible scheduling to discuss your student's progress and ways you can work together with the teacher to help your child reach their goals. Parents are encouraged to request a second conference later in the school year. Title I Reading and Math Specialists will be available to attend these conferences.
- **Report Cards** will be available each quarter. They will be sent home upon request. Parents are encouraged to look up their student's grades on Infinite Campus regularly.
- Parents are welcome to **Contact Teachers** through school email and/or phone to discuss their child's success at school.
- **School Email Newsletters** will be sent out weekly, offering timely information and dates regarding school activities and **Title I Resources**.
- Families are invited to **volunteer** on PTA committees and around the school in different capacities, including school festivities, book airs, classroom activities and Site Council.
- Title I Math and Reading Specialists provide **progress** to parents for students attending Math Club and Reading Club. Parents may contact our specialist through school email and/or phone.
- The Islands Elementary Partners In Learning and Parents Right to Know documents are distributed to parents.
- Every parent is invited to give input in regards to Islands Elementary Title I program and its included policies and procedures. A survey will be sent home in order to assess the program and its effectiveness. Survey results will be used to shape the following years' policies and procedures.
- **Gilbert Public Schools website** (www.gilbertschools.net) offers Title I information and family resources including classes for parents.
- Islands Elementary offers **social services support**. Our school social worker obtains and coordinates community resources to meet our students' needs.