



Rosemary Middle School

Title I

Parent Involvement Policy

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Mission Statement:

The mission of Rosemary Middle School is to create a safe, innovative learning environment which will enable each student to achieve academic, social, emotional and physical potential to become a responsible, productive citizen and lifelong learner.

The administration, faculty and staff of Rosemary Middle School recognize the importance of parental involvement in our goal of continuous improvement and educating all of our students. This policy will serve as a guide for involving parents through our Title 1 school-wide project. We believe working together as a team as a community of learning, we can prepare our students to achieve maximum potential as productive citizens.

Rosemary Middle School encourages parental involvement by:

- Enhancing the instructional efforts of teachers through volunteer services,
- Serving as parent representatives in the development, review, and improvement of the school's parental policy and school wide plan,
- Expressing ideas and concerns by responding to surveys and questionnaires,
- Becoming actively involved in the Parent Teacher Organization and other Title 1 parent activities,
- Serving on School Improvement Council and other committees.

Rosemary Middle School, as a Title 1 school with a school wide project, encourages parents to assist with the development of our programs, and review the results to ensure:

- Opportunities for parents to share ideas, concerns, suggestions, and opinions regarding the planning, design, and implementation of school programs.
- Provide continuous systematic communication and consultation with parents regarding decisions about student performance, instructional programs, and school policies.
- Provide opportunities for parents to become actively involved in all school matters that will assist them with the education of their child(ren).

Procedures

- Provide a format that parents can present opinions/concerns to our school.
- Provide copies of all written policies to parents.
- Involve parents in the review and the improvement process.

Provide specific activities for Title 1 parental involvement including:

- Annual meeting in the Fall and Spring to explain Title 1 program. Introduce all school personnel and give an overview of our instructional programs and student responsibilities.

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- Provide parents with reports of their child(ren)'s progress at regular intervals. (Interims/Report Cards)
- Provide opportunities for parent/teacher conferences to discuss concerns and student achievement.
- Provide opportunities for parents to learn more about curriculum, state standards, and assessment tools and measures. (curriculum nights: ABCD, Math, and ELA nights)
- Hold Title 1 meetings at different times to accommodate parent work schedules.
- Invite parents to attend school events: spelling bee, geography bee, open house, curriculum nights, book fair, awards assemblies, 8th grade IGP meeting, and 8th grade promotion.
- Provide opportunities to tour the building and observe classroom instruction.
- Distribute Student Agendas with Parent Handbook contained and State and District standards and objectives.
- Sign and return the Promise of Commitment and School Compact forms to affirm responsibilities of students, parents, teachers, and administrators. (Board policy JF/E)
- Provide onsite Mental Health Counselor and an itinerant ESOL teacher.

- All information and programs for parents are available in a Language and form they can understand. For example, all parents of ESOL students receive information in English and their first language.

Responsibilities

- Convene at least two Title 1 meetings at school each year.
- Encourage parents to attend all Title 1 parent meetings, conferences, and workshops.
- Address parental and community concerns about any school policy in a timely manner.
- Information will be made available to parents through: School agendas, newsletters from parent facilitator, local newspapers, radio, websites, 3N calling system and cable channel 12.

Step by Step We Will Reach Our Goals at Rosemary Middle School through rigor, relevance and relationships.