Family and Community Engagement Action Plan for Improvement Goal 1

Goal

The school system will develop and implement strategies to improve communication from the system/school level to the home and from the home to the system/school.

Action Ste	PS (Goal 1)
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GOAL 1: Action Steps (Strategies, Interventions, or Scientific Based Research)

- 1. The system will require each school to develop a family communication plan to address such issues as grades, attendance, discipline, homework assignments, schedules, etc.
- 2. The system will communicate through the system website and school newsletters the procedures available for family input into system policies and will require the schools to develop methods and provide information for family input into school policies on the schools' websites and in the schools' newsletters.

Implementation Plan (Goal 1)

Timeline	Person(s) Responsible	Projected Cost(s)	Monitoring Strategy
2005-2006	Terri Tilson, Federal	None	School plans will be
school year	Projects Supervisor;		submitted to Terri
	Vicki Kirk, Assistant		Tilson and Vicki Kirk
	Director for		by May 1, 2006.
	Instruction; school		
	improvement teams;		
	principals		
System level -	Central Office Team;	None	System website will be
2005-2006	principals and		monitored for info.
school year	faculties;		Schools will submit
	faculty and staff		their methods for
School	responsible for		family input to Terri
development of	websites and		Tilson, Federal Projects
methods – 2005-	newsletters		Supervisor. School
2006 school year			websites will be
			monitored for info.
Info on websites			Follow-up surveys will
and in			include questions
newsletters –			related to ability of
2006-2007			families to give input
school year			on policies.

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Action Steps (Goal 1)	Implementation Plan (Goal 1)			
GOAL 1: Action Steps (Strategies, Interventions, or Scientific Based Research)	Timeline	Person(s) Responsible	Projected Cost(s)	Monitoring Strategy
3. The system will investigate the purchase of services or products to enable the system and the schools to communicate with families in their native languages.	2005-2006 school year	Terri Tilson, Federal Projects Supervisor	\$6000 to be paid out of Federal Funds	Selection of service/product will be completed by the end of the 2005-2006 school year. Usage of the service/product will be monitored. Follow-up surveys will include questions related to communication to families in their native languages.
4. The system will investigate the establishment of a service center at the Central Office site with information on the system website. This center would provide resources such as parenting skill information, guidance on helping students with schoolwork at home, curriculum maps, a directory of community agencies, resource booklets for non-English speaking parents, and a calendar of system/school events and community educational opportunities.	Investigation, planning, and development – 2005-2006 school year Implementation – 2006-2007 school year	Family and Community Engagement Advisory Council; Terri Tilson, Federal Projects Supervisor; Janie Laws, Parent Involvement Coordinator; Vicki Kirk, Assistant Director for Instruction; Beverly Miller, Technology Supervisor	Purchase of materials to be distributed and development of system-made materials - \$1000 to be paid out of Federal Funds	A plan for the center will be submitted to the Central Office Team in February 2006 and, upon approval, to the School Board in March 2006. The center will become available in 2006-2007. Family use will be documented. Follow-up surveys will include questions related to the center and the information provided.

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Action Steps (Goal 1)

GOAL 1: Action Steps (Strategies, Interventions, or Scientific Based Research)

5. The system will develop system-wide focus groups in order to open channels of communication with difficult-to-reach families as well as all families.

Implementation Plan (Goal 1)			
Timeline	Person(s) Responsible	Projected Cost(s)	Monitoring Strategy
2005-2006	Family and	None	Results from focus
school year	Community		group discussions will
	Engagement Advisory		be shared with the
	Council; Terri Tilson,		Advisory Council and
	Federal Projects		relevant system and
	Supervisor; Janie		school administrators.
	Laws, Parent		Follow-up actions
	Involvement		regarding concerns will
	Coordinator		be documented and
			monitored

Professional
Development Plan
(Steps or Strategies) to
Support Action Plan (as
applicable)

• Professional development on the use of the service/product purchased to facilitate communication with families in their native languages.

Family and Community Engagement Action Plan Goal 2

Goal

The school system will provide the coordination, technical assistance, and other support necessary so that each school can develop its own family and community engagement plan.

Action Steps

GOAL 2: Action Steps (Strategies, Interventions, or Scientific Based Research)

- 1. The system will share with each school the results of the Family Friendly Schools survey, the work of the Family and Community Engagement Advisory Council, and the system policy and plan.
- 2. The system will provide professional development on family and community engagement research and strategies.
- 3. The system will facilitate each school in its development of its plan to address family and community engagement issues unique to the school. The school plan will be incorporated into the school's School Improvement Plan.
- 4. The system will develop methods for assessing yearly progress on family and community engagement and will facilitate the annual collection, analysis, and distribution of data.

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Timeline	Person(s) Responsible	Projected Cost(s)	Monitoring Strategy
August and September 2005; January 2006	Terri Tilson, Federal Projects Supervisor	Copies of survey results and system policy and plan	A calendar of meetings will be kept, as will sign-in sheets for all meetings.
August and	Terri Tilson, Federal	Copies of	Sign-in sheets and
September 2005; January 2006	Projects Supervisor	handouts	handouts will be used as documentation.
2005-2006	Terri Tilson, Federal	None	Documentation of
school year	Projects Supervisor;		meetings will be kept.
	principals and school		Schools will submit
	improvement teams at		SIPs with engagement
	each school		strategies and goal to
			Vicki Kirk by April 15, 2006.
2005-2006	Central Office Team,	Production and	Data will be collected,
school year	Leadership Team,	mailing of	analyzed, and
	school instructional	yearly surveys	distributed on an annual
	coordinators		basis with the February
			2004 survey data used
			as baseline data.

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Professional
Development Plan
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Support Action Plan (as
applicable)

- Professional development on Family Friendly Schools survey results and system policy and plan.
- Professional development on family and community engagement research and strategies.