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# **4250 TOWNSEND ELEM.**

## SCHOOL, PARENT AND FAMILY ENGAGEMENT POLICY

All check boxes marked in this policy indicate an assurance on the part of the school.

Type of Title I.A program

- Schoolwide
- Targeted
- This school parent and family engagement policy is developed jointly with, distributed to, and agreed on with parents of participating children, including parents of migrant and EL children. Section 1116 (b)(1)

Describe how the school seeks and obtains the agreement of parents to the parent and family engagement policy.

Townsend seeks parent input on parent involvement policies and plans through the Parent Teacher Association, annual Title I meetings, and via surveys.

- lacksquare Parents are notified of the policy in an understandable and uniform format. Section 1116(b)(1)
- The school parent and family engagement policy is provided in a language the parents can understand. Section 1116(b)(1)

### **POLICY INVOLVEMENT**

- At the beginning of the school year, the school convenes an annual meeting, at a convenient time, to which all parents of participating children are invited and encouraged to attend. Section 1116 (c)(1)
- The agenda reflects that the purpose of the meeting is
  - To inform parents of their school's participation in the Title I.A program
  - To explain the requirements of Title I.A
  - To explain the right of parents to be involved.

Section 1116 (c)(1)

✓ The school offers a flexible number of meetings. Section 1116 (c)(2)

provides (check all that apply)

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Transportation
✓ Child care
Home visits
$\ \square$ Funds will not be utilized for these purposes

The school involves parents in an organized, ongoing, and timely way:

Section 1116 (c)(2)

 $\checkmark$  In the planning, review, and improvement of the Title I.A program and if applicable Schoolwide program plan in the school. Section 1116 (c)(3)

Describe how parents are involved in the planning, review, and improvement of the Title I.A program and if applicable Schoolwide program plan in the school.

Parents provide input into the planning, review and improvement of the Title I programs by participation on the school improvement team committee. Additionally, participation with the Parent Teacher Association allows parents opportunities to assist in school-wide planning.

 $\checkmark$  In the planning, review, and improvement of the school parent and family engagement policy. Section 1116 (c)(3)

Describe how parents are involved in the planning, review, and improvement of the school parent and family engagement policy.

Parents are involved in planning through several avenues including parent meetings and written communications. Planning meetings and participation on the school improvement team allow for parent participation.

The school provides parents of participating children:

✓ Timely information about the Title I.A programs. Section 1116 (c)(4)(A)

Describe plans to provide information about the Title I.A programs.

Townsend holds their Annual Title I meeting in the fall. Additionally, information about Title I programs is shared at open house and back to school nights. Title I information is also posted on the school website and will be included in electronic newsletters.

 $\checkmark$  A description and explanation of the curriculum in use at the school, the forms of academic assessments that are used to measure progress, and the achievement levels of the MAP assessment. Section 1116 (c)(4)(B)

Describe methods and plans to provide a description and explanation of the curriculum, academic assessments, and MAP achievement levels.

An explanation of the curriculum is provided through Open House, the annual Title I meeting, Parent Teacher Conferences, parent involvement events, newsletters, and ongoing communication from teachers.

- $\checkmark$  Opportunities, as appropriate, to participate in decisions relating to the education of their children. Section 1116 (c)(4)(C)
- $\checkmark$  Responses to their suggestions as soon as possible. Section 1116 (c)(4)(C)

### SHARED RESPONSIBILITY FOR HIGH STUDENT ACHIEVEMENT

#### **School-Parent Compact**

The School-Parent Compact outlines how parents, the entire school staff, and students will share the responsibility for improved student academic achievement and the means by which the school and parents will build and develop a partnership to help children achieve the State's high standards. Section 1116 (d)

✓ The school jointly develops with parents of Title I.A served children the school-parent compact.

The school-parent compact will

Describe the ways in which all parents will be responsible for supporting their children's learning. Section 1116(d)(1)

A home school compact was jointly developed outlining the following responsibilities:

- I will listen to my child read books/complete math concepts and math work brought home each day and monitor the quality and quantity of television watched.
- 2. I will attend parent conferences, parental involvement activities, and read communications from the school.
- 3. I will talk with my child's classroom teacher if any questions or concerns arise.
- 4. I will make sure my child is at school and on time each day and will pay for lost or damaged books or technology.

 $\checkmark$  Describe the school's responsibility to provide high-quality curriculum and instruction in a supportive and effective learning environment. Section 1116 (d)(1)

A home school compact was jointly developed outlining the following responsibilities:

#### **CLASSROOM TEACHER:**

- 1. I will teach literacy/math concepts and the district curriculum to your child.
- 2. I will regularly communicate with you regarding your child's progress.
- 3. I will provide opportunities for you to volunteer and participate in your child's class and to observe classroom activities.
- 4. I will provide activities that you can choose to complete with your child that will help to reinforce school lessons.

### ADMINISTRATOR:

- 1. I will provide assistance to parents in understanding the state and district academic content, achievement standards, and required assessments.
- 2. I will keep you informed of school activities, parent programs, and scheduled conferences.
- 3. I will support your efforts to work with your children at home as well as at school.

- Addresses the importance of communication between teachers and parents on an ongoing basis through, at a minimum
  - Conducting parent-teacher conferences at least annually, during which the compact shall be discussed
  - ✓ Issuing frequent reports to parents on their children's progress
  - ✓ Providing reasonable access to staff, opportunities to volunteer, and observation of classroom activities
  - $\checkmark$  Ensuring regular two-way, meaningful communication between family members and school staff, and, in a language that family members can understand Section 1116 (d)(2)(A) (B),(C),(D)

## **BUILDING CAPACITY FOR INVOLVEMENT**

To ensure effective involvement of parents and to support a partnership among the school, parents, and the community to improve student academic achievement, the school

- ✓ Provides assistance to parents, as appropriate, in understanding
  - o the Missouri Learning Standards,
  - o the Missouri Assessment Program,
  - o local assessments,
  - o how to monitor a child's progress, and
  - o how to work with educators to improve the achievement of their children.

Section 1116 (e)(1)

Describe plans to provide assistance.

Ongoing communication with parents occurs throughout the year. Teachers provide welcome letters with information about curriculum, assessment, report cards, parent teacher conferences and ongoing meetings. Information about MAP is sent home to parents as well.

Provides materials and training to help parents work with their children to improve achievement. Section 1116 (e)(2)

Describe plans to provide materials and training.

Materials and training are provided through parent involvement nights. Materials may include supplies that complement the curriculum and/or assist parents in understanding the standards, assessments, or curriculum that are taught in the classrooms.

Educates teachers, specialized instructional support personnel, principals, and other school leaders, and other staff, with the assistance of parents, in the value and utility of contributions of parents, and in how to reach out to, communicate with, and work with parents as equal partners, implement and coordinate parent programs, and build ties between parents and the school. Section 1116 (e)(3)

Describe plans to educate school personnel regarding working with parents.

Townsend's focus on restorative practices assists teachers in providing alternative ways to deescalate behavior and support behavior interventions other than suspension alone. Teachers also will receive professional development focused on effective communication with families.

To ensure effective involvement of parents and to support a partnership among the school, parents, and the community to improve student academic achievement, the school

To the extent feasible and appropriate, coordinates and integrates parent involvement programs and activities with other Federal, State, and local programs, including public preschool programs, and conducts other activities, such as parent resource centers, that encourage and support parents in more fully participating in the education of their children. Section 1116 (e)(4)

Describe plans to coordinate and integrate.

Townsend coordinates with other departments and organizations, including the Hazelwood Early Childhood and Parents as Teachers departments. Townsend also coordinates with a variety of community based organizations to provide supports for families.

- Ensures that information related to school and parent programs, meetings, and other activities is sent to the parents of participating children in a format and, in a language the parents can understand. Section 1116 (e) (5)
- Provides reasonable support for parental involvement activities under this section as parents may request. Section  $1116 \ (e)(14)$

## **Optional additional assurances**

To ensure effective involvement of parents and to support a partnership among the school, parents, and the community to improve student academic achievement, the school: (optional; check if applicable)

- $\square$  Involves parents in the development of training for teachers, principals, and other educators to improve the effectiveness of parent involvement training. Section 1116 (e)(6)
- Provides necessary literacy training from Title I funds if the local educational agency has exhausted all other reasonably available sources of funding for literacy training. Section 1116 (e)(7)
- Pays reasonable and necessary expenses associated with local parental involvement activities, including transportation and child care costs, to enable parents to participate in school-related meetings and training sessions. Section 1116 (e)(8)
- ☐ Trains parents to enhance the involvement of other parents. Section 1116 (e)(9)

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<b>✓</b>	Arranges school meetings at a variety of times, or conducts in-home conferences between teachers or other educators, who work directly with participating children, with parents who are unable to attend conferences at school, in order to maximize parental involvement and participation. Adopts and implements model approaches to improving parental involvement. Section $1116\ (e)(10)$
	May adopt and implement model approaches to improving parental involvement. Section 1116 $(e)(11)$
<b>✓</b>	Establishes a districtwide parent advisory council to provide advice on all matters related to parental involvement in Title I programs. Section $1116$ (e)(12)
<b>✓</b>	May develop appropriate roles for community-based organizations and businesses in parent involvement activities. Section 1116 $(e)(13)$
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In carryi practicat	ng out the parent and family engagement requirements of the Title I program, the school, to the extent sle,
<b>✓</b>	Provides opportunities for the informed participation of parents and family members, including:
	Parent and family members who have limited English proficiency.
	✓ Parent and family members with disabilities.
	Parent and family members of migratory children.
<b>✓</b>	Provides information and school reports in a format and, in a language parents understand. Section 1116 (f)
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