500.750 Title I Parent Involvement Policy

Parents of Pioneer School students will be encouraged to participate in school-wide Title I activities and will be kept informed about the program and their child's progress. It is through close cooperation between the school and home that a student's academic success will improve. Two-way communications, both verbal and written, provide a sound base for a good partnership between the school and home to provide an effective educational program for all students.

The Title I parent Involvement Policy is to be fulfilled in the following manner:

- Parents will be notified in writing regarding their child's participation in the Title I School-wide program. The written material will include a copy of the Parent Involvement Policy and the Parent-School Compact.
- The Parent-School Compact will be given to all parents and describes how parents, school staff, and the students will share the responsibility for improving student achievement.
- Early in the school year, parents will be invited to an Open House and fall parent-teacher conferences to meet the staff, learn about the school-wide program, ask questions, give input, and get feedback.
- Efforts will be made to assist parents in understanding National Education Goals, State Content Standards, student performance standards, the school curriculum, and school expectations and assessment results.
- Parents will be encouraged to visit the school at a variety of times for training and material, to visit their child's classes and attend other meetings and events. Childcare and transportation will be provided as needed. In addition, Pioneer School will encourage parents to offer their ideas and suggestions to the school staff.
- The school will seek input from community-based organizations, and Title I will coordinate parent involvement with Head Start and any other preschool programs that feed into Pioneer School.
- Communication will be provided for home reinforcement of skills and concepts taught at school.
- Efforts will be made to accommodate parents with disabilities and to provide information to parents in the language used at home.
- There will be opportunities for parents to share concerns and other suggestions for the continued improvement of Pioneer School Title I program through a parent evaluation survey each year.
- Efforts will be made to educate teachers and other staff in the value of parental contributions and how to work with parents as equal partners.

The Parental Involvement Policy shall be made a policy of the Local Board of Education and be included in Student Handbooks.

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