Brittany Woods

Title I School Parent and Family Engagement Policy

Type of Title I.A Program

Schoolwide
Targeted

In support of strengthening student academic achievement, Brittany Woods receives Title I, Part A funds and therefore must jointly develop with, agree with, and distribute to parents and family members of participating children a written parent and family engagement policy, agreed on by such parents, that shall describe the means of carrying out the requirements of The Every Students Succeeds Act (ESSA) Section 1116.

Brittany Woods will seek and obtain the agreement of parents to the parent and family engagement policy in the following ways:

- Share policy at Back to School Open House/Curriculum Night/Parent Lab Meeting
- Feedback/Comments box on the school’s Title I.A information tab
- Parent surveys at the end of the year

Parents are notified of the policy in an understandable and uniform format. The school parent and family engagement policy is provided in a language that parents can understand.

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.

The agenda reflects the purpose of the meeting:
- 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 rights of parents to be involved

The school offers a flexible number of meetings.

Using Title I.A funds, to promote parental involvement the school provides: At least one box checked below
- Transportation
- Child Care
- Home Visits
The school involves parents in an organized, ongoing, and timely way:
In the planning, review, and improvement of the Title I.A program and/or Schoolwide program plan in the school.

Brittany Woods will involve parents in the planning, review, and improvement of the Title I.A program and/or Schoolwide Program Plan in the following ways:

- Invite parents to review, provide feedback and update Schoolwide Program Plan (a.k.a. Comprehensive Strategic School Improvement Plan)
- Share Plan on school website
- Feedback/Comments box on the school’s Title I.A Information tab
- Share the Title I.A schoolwide program plan at Back to School Open House/Curriculum Night/Annual Meeting

In the planning, review, and improvement of the school parent and family engagement policy.

Brittany Woods will involve parents in the planning, review, and improvement of the Parent and Family Engagement Policy in the following ways:

- Share the Title I.A schoolwide program plan at Back to School/Curriculum Night/Annual Meeting as well as on the website
- Agenda Item at Parent Lab meeting(s)
- Parent surveys

The school provides parents of participating children:
Timely information about the Title I.A programs.

Brittany Woods will provide information to parents about the Title I.A program in the following ways:

- Share information about the Title I.A program at Back to School Open House/Curriculum Night/Annual Meeting
- Title I.A tab on the school website will have information about the Title I.A program
- Use multiple methods of communication to families such as school reach system, peach jar, etc.
A description and explanation of the current 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.

Brittany Woods will provide a description and explanation of the curriculum, academic assessments, and MAP achievement levels in the following ways:

- Share information at Back to School Open House/Curriculum Night/Annual Meeting
- Parent/Teacher Conferences – Fall/Spring – Teachers will share MAP Achievement data
- School Website – The school website will have information about courses, curriculum, syllabi
- SDUC Website – Curriculum and Instruction Tab will have information regarding curriculum and assessments

Opportunities, as appropriate, to participate in decisions relating to the education of their children.

Responses to their suggestions as soon as possible.

SCHOOL 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, Brittany Woods will:

Provide assistance to parents, as appropriate, in understanding:

- the Missouri Learning Standards
- the Missouri Assessment Program
- local assessments
- how to monitor a child’s progress and
- how to work with educators to improve the academic achievement of their children.

Brittany Woods will provide assistance on the aforementioned topics in the following ways:

Provide materials and training to help parents work with their children to improve achievement.

Brittany Woods will provide materials and training in the following ways:

- Share information at Back to School Open House/Curriculum Night/Title I.A Annual Meeting
- Parent/Teacher Conferences – Fall/Spring – Teachers will share MAP Achievement data
- SDUC Website – Curriculum and Instruction Tab will have information regarding curriculum and assessments
- Encourage participation in family learning events where parents can learn strategies to support their child’s learning at home such as Literacy Night, STEM Expo
- Offer regular opportunities for families to hear directly from school staff through parent Socials, Parent Lab meetings, etc.
Hold workshops connecting parents to tools and resources
-Provide resources on the school website

Educates teachers, specialized instructional support personnel, principals, and other school leaders, and other staff, with the assistance of parents, in the values 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.

Brittany Woods will educate school personnel regarding working with parents in the following ways:

-Review and update with school staff communication procedures with parents
-Provide training for school staff regarding effective communication techniques for working with parents

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 activities, such as parent resource centers, that encourage and support parents in more fully participating in the education of their children.

Brittany Woods will coordinate and integrate with other programs in the following manner:

-Sixth Grade Transition program will allow students and parents to understand the academic programs at the middle school level
-Sixth Grade Parent Social which will allow parents to get to know each other since four elementary schools enter Brittany Woods
-Sixth Grade Orientation gives all students an opportunity to meet their classmates and teachers and engage in social activities to get to know each other as well as the building.

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 parents can understand.

Provides reasonable support for parental involvement activities under this section as parents may request.

ACCESSIBILITY

In carrying out the parent and family engagement requirements of the Title I program, the school, to the extent practicable,
Provides opportunities for the informed participation of parents and family members, including:
  Parents and family members who have limited English proficiency
  Parents and family members with disabilities
  Parent and family members of migratory children

Provides information and school reports in a format and, in a language parents understand.