

Bagdad Elementary School Parent Involvement Policy

The purpose of parental involvement is to promote a school/home partnership that will ensure that all students on our campus succeed. Everyone gains if a strong partnership is developed between school and home. Our goal is to provide parents with training and information that will assist them in assuming a more meaningful role in their child's education, improve student achievement and increase effectiveness when participating in the planning and evaluation of Title 1 programs.

An annual meeting where parents will learn about the requirements of our school's Title 1 program will be held during the first nine-week grading period. A letter will be sent to parents informing them of the date and time of the meeting.

Parents were involved in developing the Parent Involvement Policy through feedback and meetings. Once developed, the Parent Involvement Policy will be distributed to parents by letter and posted on the school web site. We will continue to establish a working relationship with parents through meetings, conferences, workshops, family nights, phone calls, notes, emails, newspaper and web publications.

Parent meetings will be held at different times during the day to accommodate the needs of the parents. Communications with parents will be in a format and language that they can understand. Title 1 funds may be used to pay for any reasonable and necessary expenses such as childcare, transportation and/or home visit expenses to enable parents to participate in school related meetings and training sessions.

At any time, parents may request a meeting with the principal by phone, e-mail or in writing. In addition, parents may attend meetings, view the campus website or receive communication(s) that explain the curriculum, forms of academic assessments (profiles, TPRI/Tejas Lee, DRA/EDL, end of grading period) and proficiency levels that students are expected to meet in their grade level. Assistance will be given to parents in understanding the State's academic content standards known as the Texas Essential Knowledge and Skills (TEKS) and the State student achievement standards based on the State of Texas Assessment of Academic Readiness (STAAR) through school wide meetings and letter(s) from the principal.

Information will be provided to parents in a timely manner through weekly folders, newsletters or the Bagdad website. In addition, the school marquee and school calendar will be used to inform parents of dates, meetings and activities.