



Everglades Preparatory Academy

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PARENT INVOLVEMENT PLAN

School Year 2015-16

Everglades Preparatory Academy recognizes the importance of forming a strong partnership with parents and community members in order to positively impact the students in our school. To promote effective parent involvement, the staff at Everglades Preparatory Academy welcomes input from parents and community members in decision making and encourages them to join us in the activities outlined in this plan. We work with parents as equal partners in the educational process.

Annual Meeting

Parents are encouraged to attend this meeting at the beginning of each school year to learn more about the requirements of Title I and our School-wide Title I Programs. At this meeting there will be opportunities to review the Title I documents and give input into the following:

- School Parent- Compact
- Title I Parent Involvement Policy/Plan
- Parents' Right to Know
- Ideas of topics for future parent involvement activities
- Title I budget

Accessibility for all families

We will accommodate all families by providing the following:

- Choices of meeting dates and times based on input from parents
- Interpreters
- Translated documents
- Childcare at the school
- Food
- Transportation

Parent Involvement Activities

Based on parent survey input, we will provide the following activities to assist parents in understanding the state curriculum and assessments and to help parents improve their children's academic achievement:

- Family Literacy Nights will be implemented for parents so parents can learn strategies to help children at home; so that children can increase reading achievement.
- Family Technology Nights will be implemented to inform parents of on - line technology that is available to them to use with their children at home.
- Parent Information Nights will inform parents about FSA and curriculum strategies to help prepare their children. The results would indicate student achievement on FSA and/or State standards assessments.

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- Parent Trainings will inform parents of sample activities that they can assist their children during the course of the year to prepare them for the academic demands of FSA and/or State standards assessments.
- Title I Information training for School Staff will provide parental communication support and resources to support learning at home.

Shared Decision Making

Through the Parent Liaison, parents will **review and give input in writing the school's Parent Involvement Policy/Plan and evaluate the plan annually.** Parents will also give input in writing the **School-Compact.** Parents review the Title I Family Involvement Survey data results to determine change. Use of parental involvement funds is discussed. Parents receive information in a timely fashion and are informed of student curriculum and assessment. Parents will have opportunities to discuss school wide programming and review data reports.

Communication

Parents will be provided information in a language and format which is easy to understand. We will communicate with parents by:

- Flyers
- Emails
- Visits by the Parent Liaison/Staff
- Family Involvement Surveys will be distributed to parents for parent input.
- Family Involvement Surveys will be reviewed by EPA and/or Parent Liaison. .

Volunteers

Parents are encouraged to volunteer at our school in a variety of capacities that address the needs of the students and school.

This Parent Involvement Plan has been jointly developed and distributed to the parents of Everglades Preparatory Academy students.

Please review and send the return portion below with your child to the classroom teacher.

I have reviewed the School Policy/Plan

Parent's Signature _____ Date _____

Student's Name _____ Teacher _____