

## WE WANT TO HEAR FROM YOU!

Palm View's Parental Involvement Plan supports us in our efforts to promote your involvement in our school, which is very important to us. We would greatly appreciate your feedback about this plan.

**Please write your comments, suggestions, and/or questions in the space below.** You may drop this form off to Palm View's Principal, Angela Essig.

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## CONTACT US

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## Palm View Elementary School

### Parental Involvement Plan



SCHOOL DISTRICT OF  
MANATEE COUNTY  
2016-17

## PARENTAL INVOLVEMENT MISSION STATEMENT

Our Parental Involvement Mission is to strengthen connections between school and the home by engaging parents in supporting their children's academic achievement. You may participate in school-wide decisions that affect your children by attending School Advisory Council, Title I, and ELL meetings. Attending family events will help you connect with other families and our faculty. Our teachers invite you to collaborate with them in meeting your child's academic, behavioral, and social/emotional needs.

## PARENTAL INVOLVEMENT POLICY

We believe in involving parents in all aspects of our school. Through our School Advisory Council, parents play a crucial role in creating and monitoring Our School Improvement Plan and Parent Involvement Plan.

Our faculty and staff work together to improve student achievement through increasing parent involvement and improving the quality of programs that we offer.

Parent meetings and workshops are held at various times throughout the school year. Input is gathered during parent meetings regarding how Title I parental involvement funds will be allocated. Parent feedback through evaluations of meetings and workshops, as well as the annual Title I survey, guide our school in improving services for and support of our families.

## PARENT-SCHOOL COMPACT

Each school year, we solicit parental input into the writing of our Parent Compact Agreement. At Back-to-School Night on August 8, teachers discussed the Compact with parents and asked them to sign it. For a copy of the Compact, please refer to Palm View's Parent Handbook.

## TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE

The School District of Manatee County's Title I office provides technical assistance to Title I Schools. This includes, but is not limited to:

- ✓ Assisting with the creation of family information areas.
- ✓ Creating an electronic resource to house information and share best practices.
- ✓ Establishing a Family Involvement Contact Team (PICT) at each Title I school led by Parent Involvement Contacts.
- ✓ Reviewing each school-level PIP to offer feedback and ensure compliance.

## FACULTY TRAINING

Each year, our faculty members engage in training about the importance of parent involvement and strategies for strengthening parents' engagement with their children's education. Our teachers continue to engage throughout the school year in extensive training and collaborative planning, with a strong focus on supporting English Language Learners, as well as the importance of reaching out to parents in their primary language whenever possible.

Our teachers and staff are passionate about the potential positive impact of highly engaged parents, and welcome conversations with parents about how they can work together to insure highest academic achievement for every child.

## ANNUAL EVALUATION

Each year, the District surveys a representative sampling of our parents. If your family is chosen, a Parent Needs Assessment is sent home with your child. It is very important that you complete the survey, because it helps our Parent Involvement Team determine how well we are working with parents so that we can improve our Title I funded parent involvement programs. The survey is available in both English and Spanish.

## PARENT INVOLVEMENT ACTIVITIES

### *School Advisory Council*

Palm View's School Advisory Council (SAC) is comprised of the Principal, parents, community members, and representative faculty members. Meetings are open to the public. The SAC agenda and minutes are published on our school's web site.

Through SAC, parents and community members play a crucial advisory role in the creation of our School Improvement Plan, the school budget, our Parent Involvement Plan, and our School-Parent Compact. The voices of our SAC members have a direct impact on important decisions that affect our school.

#### **SAC Meeting dates:**

August 25, 6:00 PM  
September 22, 6:00 PM  
November 3, 6:30 PM  
February 2, 6:00 PM  
March 9, 6:30 PM  
April 27, 6:00 PM

### *Workshops and Family Events*

Activities that involve parents will have an academic component that focuses on raising the achievement gap. Some of the activities tentatively planned for 2016-17 are as follows:

Title I Parent Meeting, **August 25**, 6:45-7:10 PM  
Report Card Conf. Night, **Oct. 20**, 4:00-6:30 PM  
Math Night & Trunk-a-Treat, **Oct. 28**, 5:00-6:30 PM  
ELL Parent Meeting (in Spanish), **Nov. 3**, 6:00 PM  
Winter Wonderland Festival, **Dec. 8**, 6:00-7:30 PM  
STEM Night, **January 26**, 6:00-7:30 PM  
Literacy Night, **March 2**, 6:00-7:30 PM  
ELL and Title I Parent Meeting, **March 9**, 6:00 PM  
Report Card Conf. Night, **March 30**, 4:00-6:30 PM  
Geography Night & Cinco de Mayo, **May 4**, 6:00 PM  
Moms 'n' Muffins, **May 12**, 7:00-8:30 AM  
Talent Show, **May 18**, 6:30-8:00 PM

Activities listed above, along with any additional family involvement activities, will be announced through flyers and ConnectEd messages in both English and Spanish.