

Forest Hill IB World High School

2017-2018 Family Involvement Policy/Plan

Summary

Forest Hill 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 Forest Hill 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 invited 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 Program. At this meeting there will be opportunities to review the Title I documents and give input into the following:

- School Parent- Compact
- Title I Family 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
- Food

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 Technology Nights will be implemented to inform parents of on - line technology that is available to them to use with their children at home resulting in increase in academic progress.
- Parent Information Nights will inform parents about FSA and curriculum strategies to help prepare their children. The results would indicate student achievement on FSA / EOC.
- Family Day at the Norton will get parents involved working with students on arts integration and literacy. The students will raise awareness of understanding real world application to their learning.

- Title I Information Training for School Staff that provides information to staff on communicating with parents and providing resources to support learning at home.
- Newsletters from school that gives best practices to parents and inform them of the value of family involvement.

Shared Decision Making

Through the school's SAC parents will **review and give input in writing the school's Family 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
- EDLINE
- One- Voice
- School website
- Visits by the Parent Involvement Coordinator
- Parent Advisory Council– parents are invited to participate on this council.
- Family Involvement Surveys will be distributed to parents for parent input.
- Family Involvement Surveys will be reviewed by SAC.

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 feeder Middle Schools