

Somerset Academy Riverside
School-Level Parent and Family Engagement Plan (PFEP)
2019-2020

Mission Statement

The mission of Somerset Academy Riverside is to maximize student achievement and foster the development of responsible, self-directed life-long learners in a safe and enriching learning environment. We believe that teachers and administrators working collaboratively with students and parents is the formula necessary for success. Therefore, Somerset Academy Riverside will ensure that all parents will be active participants in their child's education by providing constant communication opportunities via their child's agenda, school to home communication folder and Class Dojo. Parents are encouraged to express their views and to assist in problem solving as well as in giving viewpoints on joint policies and decisions to emphasize their roles as advocates and to maintain an ongoing and active partnership with our school and its stakeholders.

Engagement of Parents and Families

Somerset Academy Riverside will involve parents in an organized, ongoing, and timely manner, in the planning, review, and improvement of programs under this part, including the planning, review, and improvement of the school parent and family engagement policy and the joint development of the schoolwide program plan under section 1114(b) except that if a school's programs, the school may use that process, if such process includes an adequate representation of parents of participating children [Sections 1116(c)(3), 1114(b)(2), and 1116(a)(2)(B)].

Parents are invited and encouraged to be active members of the School Advisory Council (SAC). At SAC meetings parents will be provided with information regarding the school's Title I allocation and will be asked to provide input in the development and decision-making process of all Title I Activities related to the school. An annual school climate survey will be completed by parents, staff and students and the results will be analyzed to determine the effectiveness of the school's parent involvement program.

Coordination and Integration

Somerset Academy Riverside will coordinate and integrate parental involvement programs and activities that teach parents how to help their children at home, to the extent feasible and appropriate, including but not limited to, other federal programs such as: Head Start, Early Reading First, Even Start, Home Instruction Programs for Preschool Youngsters, the Parents

as Teachers Program, public preschool, Title I, Part C, Title II, Title III, Title IV, and Title VI [Section 1116(e)(4)].

Count	Program	Coordination
1	Public Meeting Flyer	Send home in school to home folder
2	Social Media & Website	Post all upcoming meeting
3	Annual Public Meeting Title I	Compile resources for parents at the meeting
4	Parent University on Gradebook	Provide training for parents to stay informed of child's grades
5	Parent University on Curriculum	Provide training for parents to stay informed of ELA and Mathematics curriculum and provide strategies to assist students at home.
6	Family Nights	Build a strong culture of family and community by hosting family nights at the school and at local restaurants

Annual Parent Meeting

Somerset Academy Riverside will take the following actions to convene an annual meeting, to which all parents of participating children shall be invited and encouraged to attend, to inform parents of their school's participation under this part and to explain the requirements of this part, and the right of the parents involved. Include timeline, persons responsible, documentation to be maintained, and steps to ensure that all parents invited and encouraged to attend [Section 1116(c)(1)].

Count	Activity/Tasks	Person Responsible	Timeline (Including frequency and duration)	Evidence of Effectiveness
1	Annual Title I Meeting	Principal	August 2019	Powerpoint & Sign In Sheets
2	SAC Meeting	Principal/SAC Chair	September 2019	Minutes & Sign In Sheets

Flexible Parent Meetings

Somerset Academy Riverside will offer a flexible number of meetings, such as meetings in the morning or evening, and may provide with funds provided under this part, transportation, childcare, or home visits, as such services relate to parental involvement [Section 1116(c)(2)].

Somerset Academy Riverside will schedule meetings at various times of the day or evening to better accommodate parents. Our school will hold an orientation for parents at each grade level to inform them about the school's participation in the Title I program and to encourage parents to be involved. Teachers will hold conferences individually with parents of children in their classrooms twice a year and as needed. Parents will be given a summary of test scores and will be asked to engage in decisions of how to support the academic progress of their child. The school will offer Curriculum Nights to provide parents with a better understanding of the curriculum and to learn strategies that they can use to assist their children at home.

Building Capacity

Somerset Academy Riverside will implement activities that will build the capacity for effective involvement of parents and to support a partnership among the school involved, parents and the community to improve student academic achievement, each school and local educational agency assisted under this part – [Section 1116(e)]. Describe the actions the school will take to provide materials and training to help parents to work with their child to improve their child's academic achievement, such as literacy training and using technology [Section 1116(e)(2)].

Content and Type of Activity	Person Responsible	Anticipated Impact on Student Achievement	Timeline (Including frequency and duration)	Evidence of Effectiveness	Evidence-based Research
Orientation	Administration	School/Class introduction	August 2019	Sign-In Sheets	School to Home Involvement
SAC Meeting	Administration	Review of SIP	September 2019	Sign-In Sheets	Parental Involvement
Curriculum Nights	Teachers/Admin	Hands-On Training	October 2019 November 2019	Sign-In Sheets	ELA & Math Strategies
Parent Conferences	Teachers	Parental Involvement	September 2019- May 2019	Parent/Teacher Conference Form	Parental Involvement

Staff Training

Somerset Academy Riverside will offer the following training to educate teachers, specialized instructional support personnel, principals, and other staff, with the assistance of parents, in the value 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 schools [Section 1116(e)(3)].

Content and Type of Activity	Person Responsible	Anticipated Impact on Student Achievement	Timeline (Including frequency and duration)	Evidence of Effectiveness	Evidence-based Research
iReady Data Review	iReady Rep	Teachers will review student data	August 2019	Diagnostic Results	iReady
Orientation	Administration	Positive delivery of information to parents & students	August 2019	Positive Teacher/Parent Communication	Parental Involvement
Data Chats	Administration	Review of current student data	September 2019 January 2019 March 2019	Diagnostic Results	iReady

Other Activities

***Somerset Academy Riverside** will develop appropriate roles for community-based organizations and businesses in parent involvement activities; and conduct other activities, such as parent resource centers, the school will conduct these activities to encourage and support parent participation in the education of their children; and shall provide such other reasonable support for parental involvement activities under this section as parents may request [Sections 1116(e)(4), 1116(e)(13) and 1116(e)(14)].*

Quarterly SAC meetings and Parent Universities will be offered throughout the school year. Class websites will also be offered with many resources to help with specific classroom needs.

Communication

***Somerset Academy Riverside** will provide parents of participating children the following [Section 1116(c)(4)]:*

- *Timely information about programs under this part [Section 1116(c)(4)(A)];*
- *A description and explanation of the curriculum in use at the school, the forms of academic assessment used to measure student progress, and the achievement levels of the challenging State academic standard; and [Section 1116(c)(4)(B)];*
- *If requested by parents, opportunities for regular meetings to formulate suggestions and to participate, as appropriate, in decisions relating to the education of their children, and respond to any such suggestions as soon as practicably possible [Section 1116(c)(4)(C)]; and*
- *If the school-wide program plan under Section 1114 (b is not satisfactory to the parents of participating children, submit any parent comments on the plan when the school makes the plan available to the local education agency [Section 1116(c)(5)].*

Somerset Academy Riverside will provide information about the Title I program in a timely manner, using various methods, such as: flyer, social media, website and Parent Link. Information about Title I, Grade Level Expectations and Classroom Expectations will be shared with parents during Orientation/Title I Information Meeting, parent conferences and any other time a parents makes a request. Classroom teachers will explain and discuss the school's curriculum, state testing, and other assessments that are used to measure student progress during the school year.

Accessibility

Somerset Academy Riverside will provide full opportunities for participation in parental involvement activities for all parents and family members (including parents and family members with limited English proficiency, disabilities, and parents and family members of migratory children). Including providing information and school reports required under section 1111 in a format and, to the extent practicable, in a language such parents understand [Section 1116(f)].

Somerset Academy Riverside will provide the School Parent Engagement Plan in English or other language that may be requested by parents. Parents will be sent notification of the plan via Parent Link of its accessibility on the school's website and/or main office.

School-Parent Compact

As a component of the school-level parent involvement plan, each school shall jointly develop, with parents for all children served under this part, a school-parent compact, that outlines how parents, the entire school staff, and students will share the responsibility for improved student academic achievement [Section 1116(d)].

Provide the LEA electronically the School-Parent Compact and evidence of parent input in the development of the compact.

Adoption

This School Parent Involvement Plan has been developed jointly with, and in agreement with, parents of children participating in Title I, Part A programs, as evidenced by the School Advisory Council's meeting minutes.

This plan was adopted by the school on July 29, 2019 (pending approval) and will be in effect during the 2019-2020 school year. The school will make this plan available to all parents of participating Title I, Part A children on or before September 30, 2019.


Signature of Principal

7/29/19
Date

pending
SAC Chairperson

Date