L. C. Swain Middle School

L. C. Swain Middle School 2019-2020 Parent/Family Engagement Plan

L. C. Swain Middle School is dedicated to improving the educational opportunities for all students by increasing parental and community involvement in the educational process. Our goal is to enable students to succeed in the regular program; attain grade-level proficiency; and improve academic achievement. To promote effective parental involvement, the staff at L. C. Swain Middle School 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.

Involvement of Parents and Decision Making

Through the School Advisory Council (SAC), Title I Annual Meeting and other meetings, parents will participate in shared decision making in the following ways:

- Review, evaluate, and update school's Family Engagement Plan and School Compact.
- Provide opportunities for parents to discuss school-wide programming and to review data.
- Receive information in a timely manner.
- Share and review Title I Parent Involvement Survey Results.

Coordination and Integration

- Invite parents to participate in the School Advisory Council (SAC)
- Invite parents to Title I Annual Meeting to discuss additional programs available through the school district such as available counseling services and school-wide positive behavior support through the Department of Safe Schools.

Annual Meeting

Parents are invited to attend this meeting at the beginning od each school year to learn more about the requirements of Title I and our School-wide Title I Program. At this meeting, parents have the opportunity to review the Title I documents and give input in the following:

- School Parent Compact
- Parent's Right to Know
- Parent/Family Engagement Plan (PFEP)
- Title I Budget

Accessibility for Families

We will accommodate all families by providing the following:

- Flexible Meetings (day and evening times) based on input from parents
- Language Facilitators and Multilingual Staff
- Translated Documents
- School Marquee
- Parent Link Messages
- Facebook, Twitter, Instagram

Building Capacity

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

- Interactive meetings will be scheduled to inform parents about curriculum, FSA and test taking strategies
- Monthly parent training sessions will address parent involvement and all areas of the curriculum.

Staff Training

Provide faculty and staff with training in a format that is easy to understand. We will communicate with parents through the following avenues:

- Parent Link
- Facebook, Twitter, Instagram
- School Marquee
- Flyers
- SIS Gateway
- Conferences
- School and class letters
- Progress Reports/ Report Cards
- SAL-P Reports
- SPAR Reports
- Individual test scores
- Literacy Night Events