

## **Title I Parental Involvement Committee**

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Pursuant to the Improving America's Schools Act of 1994 (IASA) the board of education of Gage County School District No. 34 shall involve the parents or guardians of children of this school district in assisting in the planning and the review of those programs which relate to the school's Title I program. The school district shall provide the coordination, technical assistance, and other necessary support in the planning and implementation of these parental involvement activities. The school district shall seek parental involvement and support the partnership between home, school, and community by providing understandable information about standards and assessment; provide training and materials for parents or guardian to help their children; educate school personnel about involving parents and the value of parental contributions; and develop meaningful roles for community organizations and businesses to work with parents and with the school district.

School officials shall offer the following activities or services to the parents or guardians of all students involved in the school district's Title I activities and to any other patron who may wish to become familiar with the program.

- I. This policy shall be reviewed each year by the Title One staff and parents or guardians of students involved in the school district's Title One program. The comments received shall be reviewed by the school district's Title I committee. This committee shall make recommendations for changing or updating the policy and after consultation with the building principal, these recommendations will be presented to the board of education. The board of education, with the assistance and leadership of the superintendent of schools, will develop and adopt the school district's Title I Parental Involvement Policy to become effective the following year.

This policy along with other documents briefly outlining the school district's Title I program will be made available to the parents or guardians of all students involved in the school district's Title I program. Copies shall be given to all new families that may move into the school district during the school year, who may inquire about Title I services.

- II. The school district shall hold one or more Title I informational meetings each year for the parents and guardians of all children that participate in the school district's Title I program. Notices of these meetings shall be provided to all parents and guardians of students participating in the program. Attempts shall be made to hold meetings at different times in an attempt to provide people the opportunity to attend one or more meetings throughout the school year. Additional meetings will be offered if requested by parents.
  - A. Parents and guardians shall be encouraged to provide input into these meetings and their comments shall be used by Title I personnel and school administration in the formulation of future Title I policies.
  - B. Title I personnel and the school administration encourages parents and guardians to direct their questions and comments to school staff members whenever a concern may arise. School officials shall attempt to provide a rapid response to all concerns.

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- III. Topics for discussion at these informational meetings shall include, but not be limited to the following:
  - A. Help parents to understand the state's academic content and achievement standards, how children will be assessed, and how to monitor children's progress and work with educators to improve their children's achievement.
  - B. Provide access to materials and training to help parents improve their children's achievement.
  - C. Seek parent input into:
    - A. The perceived effectiveness of the program.
    - B. Ways of improving communications.
    - C. Ways of improving the curricular content of the program.
  - D. Inform parents about how they may be involved in the Title One program.
  - E. The school district's Title I plan and the curriculum and instructional objectives of the Title I program.
  - F. Parents and guardians shall be apprised as to how district performance profiles compare with test norms
  - G. Parents and guardians shall be kept informed as to the reason their child is participating in the school's Title I program.
- IV. The goals of the Title I plan should be coordinated with the educational goals of the school district. The parents and guardians of Title I students should be made aware of the importance of student support and present information on ways of reinforcing student achievement.
- V. Title I personnel should work with parents or guardians and their children in developing educational goals which will reinforce student success. The school district will attempt to provide assistance to insure parental participation.
  - A. Title I personnel shall work with the parents of Title I students in the development of a compact. This compact shall lay the groundwork for a shared responsibility for prescribing the educational goals of the Title I student.

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- B. Encourage and support parents to participate fully in their children's education.
- VI. The school administration will meet with Title I staff to continuously evaluate the program, to coordinate the involvement of parents and guardians involved with the Title I program and with those other activities which solicit parental involvement, and to elicit information on ways of improving the program.
- VII. To the extent possible, the Title One program will coordinate parent involvement programs with other programs, such as Head Start, Even Start, or other district parent involvement programs.
- VIII. To ensure that information related to school and parent programs, meetings and other activities reaches all parents, information will be presented in a format and language that parents can understand.

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