

Ridge Creek Elementary

Parent Involvement Policy 2016-2017



Statement of Purpose

Ridge Creek Elementary is dedicated to providing a quality education for every student on our campus. To help us accomplish this objective, we will build strong partnerships with our students, parents, and community partners. It is important that we develop two-way communication between home and school, so that we create optimal learning conditions for every student at Ridge Creek Elementary. We welcome and encourage communications from our parents throughout the school year. We strive to maintain an open line of communication by various means such as newsletters, flyers, parent/teacher conferences, personal contacts, and written notices sent to parents in a format and language that parents understand. We are committed to including parents and community members in all aspects of our Title I school-wide program.

Development of the Parent Involvement Plan

Parents at Ridge Creek Elementary School will be invited to participate as a member of The Title I Parent Involvement (PI) Planning Team Committee through invitations communicated in-person, by phone, newsletter, website, school marquee, or email. The PI Planning Team consists of parents of participating children, members of the community and staff who meet to collaborate, discuss, develop, and review and/or improve the Parent Involvement (PI) Plan. This team, which reflects the diversity of our school population, will also be invited to be involved in the planning, review and improvement of the District's Title I Program.

Ridge Creek Elementary Parent Involvement Plan:

*Indicates that the school-parent compact is jointly developed with parents. The school-parent compact outlines how all parents, teachers, administrators and students will share in the responsibility for improving student achievement and details the school's, parent's and student's responsibilities. Parents will receive a copy of the school-parent compact during fall parent/teacher conferences at which time they will be given the opportunity to discuss the content and offer any suggestions for improvement with their child's teacher.

* Is written in an understandable format in both English and Spanish. The Parent Involvement Plan will be distributed during the Annual Title I Meeting held in the fall.

*Indicates that parent meetings/programs such as Math, Science, Writing, ESL, and Bilingual informational meetings; Pre-Kindergarten/Kindergarten grade level parent meetings; and parent/teacher conferences, will be held at different times during the day at convenient locations for all parties which allows for greater parent and community participation.

* Indicates that parents of participating children will receive a description and explanation of the curriculum in use at the school, forms of State and local academic assessment, and proficiency levels students are expected to meet during fall parent/teacher conferences.

* Indicates that parents are provided with daily/weekly folders, progress reports, report cards, and workshops to teach parents how to monitor their child's progress through the District's Home Access Center (HAC).

* Indicates that parents are provided with training opportunities in order to assist their child academically and foster parent

involvement by holding family events such as Literacy, Math, Open House, Science, Nights, and parenting workshops.

*Indicates that parents are provided with opportunities to verbalize suggestions and participate by voice mail, electronic mail, parent/teacher/administrators conferences, and through the student's daily and/or weekly folders regarding their child's education and/or activities. The Ridge Creek Elementary Parent Involvement Plan ensures that parents will receive a response to their suggestions in a timely manner.

* Ensure that information related to meetings, school, parent programs, and other activities is sent to parents in Both English and Spanish. Parents also have the right to request meetings and visits to their child's classroom at different times of the day in order to learn about opportunities and strategies to help their child.

Distribution and Evaluation of the Parent Involvement Plan

An annual meeting will be held in the fall to inform the parents of the school's participation in the Title I program. Parents will be notified of the requirements of the Title I program and their rights to be involved. Parents will receive a copy of the Parent Involvement Plan in either English or Spanish along with other school wide program notices. Parents who are unable to attend the annual Title I meeting, will receive the Title I information by visiting the campus website or the parent information center for copies of the Parent Involvement Plan. New students will receive the Title I information in their enrollment packet. To determine the effectiveness of our Title I Parent Involvement Plan activities and the Title I Program, we will conduct an end of year parent survey.