

Growing Young Environmental Stewards



2023-2024

Title I K-6 Parent & Family Engagement Plan Summary

Mission Statement

At Dwight D. Eisenhower Elementary School, students, staff, parents, and community members are all part of our school family. Together we create a safe, connected learning environment, where we develop educated, actively involved global citizens. Our commitment is to foster young environmental stewardship (YES!) through state-of-the-art instruction with a focus on environmental science education.

Involvement of Stakeholders

The School Advisory Council advertises the SAC meetings through the school's social media platform, school marquee, school website, during school-wide events, and student agenda books. All parents are invited to attend meetings where we discuss the Comprehensive Needs Assessment, School Wide Plan, Parent and Family Engagement Plan, and the School-Parent Compact.

Annual Parent Meeting

All parents and families are invited and encouraged to attend the Title I Annual Meeting on Tuesday, September 5, 2023 at 6:00pm in DDE's Media Center to learn about the school's Title I programs, requirements, and the rights of Title I parents.

Staff Training

At DDE, we strive to improve our student's daily attendance to increase student achievement. We will continuously build our capacity to work with families on this school wide goal. We will also develop family friendly ways to develop math and science skills at home.

Parent Trainings

We will offer parents and families ideas to help support learning at home to improve student academic achievement. Trainings are described below:

Peaceful Parenting will provide parents with strategies and language to use at home (like we use at school) to help their child(ren) be safe, connected, problem-solvers.

Research supports the positive impact a male role model has on student achievement. Therefore, we host an annual *Breakfast & Books with Dad (or Role Model)* where dads will learn strategies for reading to and with their child as well as how to have conversations about books before, during and after reading.

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We will also host a *Math/Science Bowl* where parents and families will learn hands-on activities to develop math and science concepts at home.

Coordination and Integration

DDE collaborates with McKinney-Vento, The Literacy Coalition, and Florida Diagnostic & Learning Resources System (FDLRS) and the Exceptional Student Education Department to provide integrated parent and family engagement opportunities.

Our *McKinney-Vento* Contact, Ms. Farrell, works with the District Department to connect students and families experiencing homelessness with school, District, and community resources.

The Literacy Coalition volunteers read with students and provide free books to students with suggestions to parents about reading at home with their children. The organization provides free tutoring after school.

School-Home Communication

We use a variety of ways to communicate with families about Title I programs, meetings and other activities. We use our schoolwide messaging platform, *Parentlink*, to send phone calls, emails, and texts. We also use DDE's social media pages, student agenda books, teacher communication, the school marquee, and PTO and SAC meetings to communicate about events. Further, we inform parents of academic progress through Open House, parent-teacher conferences, Individual Education Plan (IEP) meetings, and School-Based Team meetings, and reports.

Accessibility

Should a family need accessibility to events or communication, we use our resources such as translators and interpreters and strive to remove any physical barrier to promote involvement and feedback from all parents and families.

Thank you for your partnership for increasing student achievement!



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