School Parent and Family Engagement Plan

School Year 2021-2022

Summary

Potentials Charter School recognizes the importance of forming a strong partnership with parents and community members in order to positively impact the students in our school.  To promote effective parent involvement, the staff at Potentials 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.

**Annual Meeting**

Parents are invited to attend this meeting at the beginning of each school year to learn more about the requirements of Title I and our School-wide Title I Program.   At this meeting there will be opportunities to review the Title I documents and give input into the following:

* School Parent- Compact
* Title I Family Involvement Policy/Plan
* Parents’ Right to Know
* Ideas of topics for future parent involvement activities
* Title I budget

**Accessibility for all families**

We will accommodate all families by providing the following:

* Choices of meeting dates and times based on input from parents
* Interpreters
* Translated documents
* Childcare at the school
* Food
* Transportation

**Parent Involvement Activities**

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

* Parent activities such as our Family Ice Cream Social, Parent Open House, parent support groups, Fall Festival, Thanksgiving Potluck Dinner, field trips with students and parents, as well as our fundraisers will encourage parents and families to become involved and participate for fully in their children's education.
* We will also provide trainings that are parent centered throughout the school year.

**Shared Decision Making**

Through the school’s governing board parents will **review and give input in writing the school’s Family Involvement Policy/Plan and evaluate the plan annually.** Parents will also give input in writing the **School-Compact**. Parents review the Title I Family Involvement Survey data results to determine change. Use of parental involvement funds is discussed. Parents receive information in a timely fashion and are informed of student curriculum and assessment. Parents will have opportunities to discuss school wide programming and review data reports.

**Communication**

Parents will be provided information in a language and format which is easy to understand. We will communicate with parents by:

* Flyers
* Emails
* Assignment Notebooks
* School website
* Visits by the Parent Involvement Coordinator
* Parent Advisory Council– parents are invited to participate on this council.
* Family Involvement Surveys will be distributed to parents for parent input.
* Family Involvement Surveys will be reviewed by SAC.

**Volunteers**

Parents are encouraged to volunteer at our school in a variety of capacities that address the needs of the students and school.

***This Parent Involvement Plan has been jointly developed and distributed to the parents of Potentials Charter School***

**Please review and send the return portion below with your child to the classroom teacher.**

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I have reviewed the School Policy/Plan

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Student’s Name \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ Teacher\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

Sent home to parents through backpacks on September 13th, 2021