

## **Family Engagement Policy**

### **North Forest High School**

#### **Title I, Part A School-Wide**

**2022-2023**

#### **Purpose**

It is essential to build a strong partnership between the family and school. North Forest HS is dedicated to the philosophy that parent involvement is vital to the success of each student. For this reason, parents are actively recruited as our partners for success.

Parents will be invited to participate in the annual revision of the campus School-Family Compact, Family Engagement Policy, Campus Improvement Plan and Comprehensive Needs Assessment. An updated copy of the Family Engagement policy will be posted annually on the campus web page. Two meetings will be held to inform parents of the school's participation in Title I, Part A programs and to explain the Title I, Part A requirements and the rights of parents to be involved in Title I, Part A programs. Six additional meetings will be held to provide information/training and to allow parents to have a voice on our campus. The meetings will be held at a time that is convenient for parents to attend. Meetings will be held in the AM and PM on different dates.

#### **Goals**

- The school will work to ensure that the required school levels of parent involvement policies meet the requirements of Every Students Succeeds.
- The school will educate teachers, specialized instructional support personnel, principals, and other school leaders, and other staff, in the value of parental contribution and in how to communicate with parents and build school family connections.
- The school will communicate with parents in an understandable and uniform format, and to the extent practicable, in English and Spanish. The school will use the following modes to communicate with parents:
  - o School Flyers
  - o Postings on school website
  - o Bulldog Marquee
  - o Social-Media (Twitter)
  - o Translators Provided
  - o Automated call-out system (campus)
- The school and parents will work collaboratively to ensure strong family engagement, and to support a partnership among the school, parents, and the community to improve student academic achievement.

## **Activities**

The following is a list of opportunities that have been created to inform and involve parents, not limited to other reasonable support for family engagement activities as parents may request:

**Communities in School Coordinator-work with and communicates with parents**

**Flyers/Notices Home (Outlining school curriculum, forms of academic assessment)**

**Student Parent Handbook (Outlines End of Year Grade Level Expectations)**

**Progress Reports and Report Cards**

**Open House Night (Review Title I Budget/Programs)**

**SDC Committee Meetings – Parent representative(s)**

**Content Nights (One in the Fall and one in the Spring)**

**Fall Harvest**

**Spring Bash**

**Back-to-School Bash**

**STAAR End of Year Student/Parent Reports**

**TELPAS End of Year Student/Parent Reports**

**Title I, Part A Annual Meeting Held in Conjunction with another Parent Event**

- The school will mandate that teachers call parents when students are failing and teachers will review grade level content standards, student assessments, and progress data with parents. The school will notify parents when students are absent or have excessive tard.

Parents will also have opportunities for regular meetings relating to their children's education, when requested.

- The school will educate, coordinate, and integrate family engagement programs and activities with other Federal, State, and local programs, and conduct other activities, such as family engagement centers, that support parents in fully participating in their children's education.

- Academic nights for Reading, Science, and Math will be developed with the purpose of providing materials and training to help parents work with their children to improve their children's academic achievement, such as literacy training and using technology, as appropriate, to foster parental involvement.

- Parents are encouraged to provide the school feedback on all its Title I, Part A school-wide program activities.

Feedback is welcome at all parent involvement activities and on parent survey.

**Annual Evaluation**

North Forest High School will hold annual meetings to review the Family Engagement Policy and the School-Family Compact.

The Family Engagement Policy ensures that there is a strong partnership between the school and the parent.

A School Family Compact will describe school and parent responsibilities.