



**James DeAnda Elementary School**

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**James DeAnda Parent and Family Engagement Policy 2023-2024**

**PART I. PURPOSE**

- James DeAnda Elementary School will provide opportunities of meetings for parents to formulate suggestions and to participate, as appropriate, in decisions about the education of their children. The school will respond to any suggestions.
- James DeAnda Elementary School will provide each parent an individual student report about the performance of his or her child on the State Assessment.
- James DeAnda Elementary School will provide assistance to parents of children served by the school as appropriate, in understanding the following topics:
  - the state's academic content standards,
  - the state's student academic achievement standards,
  - the state and local academic assessments including alternate assessments,
  - options for the child's secondary education,
  - the requirements of Title I, Part A,
  - how to monitor their child's progress, and
  - how to work with educators:
- James DeAnda Elementary School will provide 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 parent and family engagement.
- James DeAnda Elementary School will coordinate and integrate parent and family engagement programs and activities with the Family and Community Engagement (FACE) program, parent classes, and other school programs offered by HISD.
- James DeAnda Elementary School will take the following actions to ensure that information related to the school and parent-programs, meetings, and other activities are sent to parents of participating children in an understandable and uniform format, including alternative formats upon request, and, to the extent practicable, in a language the parents can understand.

**PART II. DISCRETIONARY SCHOOL PARENT AND FAMILY ENGAGEMENT POLICY COMPONENTS**

- Providing necessary literacy training for parents from Title I, Part A funds, if the school district has exhausted all other reasonably available sources of funding for that training.
- Paying reasonable and necessary expenses associated with parent and family engagement activities, including transportation and childcare costs, to enable parents to participate in school-related meetings and training sessions.
- Empowering parents to extend their child's learning beyond the classroom in order to apply it in real world situations.
- Arranging school meetings at a variety of times or conducting in-home conferences between teachers or other educators who work directly with participating children.
- Arrange meetings with parents who are unable to attend conferences at school to maximize parent and family engagement and participation in their children's education.
- Adopting and implementing model approaches to improving parent and family engagement; parent engagement in Title I, Part A programs.

**PART III. ADOPTION**

This School Parent and Family Engagement Policy from James DeAnda Elementary has been discussed, revised, and **updated** jointly with, and agreed on with parents of children participating in Title I, Part A programs, as evidenced by the parents present in the meeting. This policy was adopted by James DeAnda Elementary School on 10/13/2017, **revised** and **updated** on 09/18/2023 and will be in effect for the 2023-2024 School Year. The school will distribute this policy to all parents of participating Title 1, Part A.

  
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09/18/2023  
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