

Aledo ISD Parent Involvement Policy 2022-2023

Purpose:

Aledo ISD believes every child should have the opportunity to attain his/her full potential as an individual. Aledo ISD will maximize its resources to enable each child to become a successful learner. A key resource is its people: administrators, teachers, school staff, parents, and community members. We will work together to establish effective partnerships; together everyone achieves more. School and home must work together to realize higher student achievement. On-going, open door, meaningful communication will occur to facilitate mutual understanding and to stimulate student success. Aledo ISD will provide to all parents the grade-level goals for its students. The district will publish the state assessment testing schedule and goals. Those students who need extra assistance will have access to programs that will help them reach these goals.

Every effort will be made to include parents in the development, evaluation, and revision of the Title I program and the Parent Involvement Policy. The Parent Involvement Policy will describe the responsibilities of key stakeholders and useful channels of communication. The goal of our Parent Involvement Policy is student success.

Reviewing/Revising the Policy:

On an annual basis, both at the campus and district level, the Aledo ISD Parent Involvement Policy will be reviewed and revised as necessary.

The advisory committees will convene at a time and place convenient to all its members.

Annual Meeting:

An annual meeting will be held at each Title I campus to:

- *describe the Title I program,
- *distribute the Parent Involvement Policy,
- *explain opportunities for parental participation,
- *explain that the Parent Involvement Policy will be evaluated annually and revised to meet the needs of students, school, parents, and community,
- *recruit parent volunteers to serve on the district or campus advisory committee, and
- *state the expectations for school performance, individual student assessments, and grade level curriculum.

Parents will be informed about the meeting via electronic communications, the district and campus webpages, Parent Link messages, and announcements in the newspaper.

Home/School/Community Partnership:

Aledo ISD values the partnership of the parents in their student's education. There are many ways parents can make significant contributions to student success both at home and by volunteering in the school. Parent volunteers will require an annual background check. Student achievement is the result of effective home-school-community partnerships.

In order to facilitate communication between school and parents:

- *materials will be shared in a language understood by parents as often as possible,
- *parent training and materials will be provided to help parents work with their students to improve achievement and
- *community-based organizations in parent involvement activities will be utilized.

Programs and the School Community:

Aledo ISD will assess the needs of the parents and children in the school community using a variety of tools including a survey or questionnaire. The findings will be shared with campus and district teams and used to revise the Title I program to meet the current needs.

Staff-Parent Communication:

Aledo ISD will communicate with parents on a regular basis. Important information will be provided in the student handbook, parent notices, the Parent Involvement Policy, district and campus websites, and via electronic communications. Frequent notices about student performance will be sent home with children via e-mail and/or discussed in conferences. Parents are encouraged to regularly review their child's grades through the Parent Portal. As often as possible, all communication will be provided in a language and format the parents can understand. Parents are encouraged to contact their child's teacher initially followed by the campus principal if questions or problems arise.

Evaluation:

The campus and district committees will evaluate the effectiveness of the Parent Involvement Policy on an annual basis. The committee will utilize surveys, classroom observations, assessment data, and other resources to determine the needs and to develop revised strategies for student success. Campus staff will seek parent input throughout the year as part of the evaluation process. Revisions to the Title I program and the Parent Involvement Policy will be communicated to the parents.

Funding:

The Title I federal funds will be divided among the Title I campuses on an annual basis at the Federal Programs Planning meeting based upon information available at that time.

Aledo ISD is committed to the success of students. We will work together with parents to monitor the effectiveness of our parent involvement and Title I programs and to provide excellence in education. The policy will be promoted by the administrators, principals, and other school staff as we seek active participation by our parents.