

School-Parent Compact

The school distributes to parents and family members of Title I, Part A students, a School-Parent Compact (Compact). This Compact, which has been jointly developed with parents, outlines how parents, the entire school staff, and students will share the responsibility for improved student academic achievement. This Compact describes specific ways the school and families will partner to help children achieve the state's high academic standards. This Compact addresses the following legally required items, as well as other items suggested by parents and family members of Title I, Part A students:

- The school's responsibility to provide high-quality curriculum and instruction (ESSA Section 1116[d][1]).
- The ways parents and family members will be responsible for supporting their children's learning (ESSA Section 1116[d][1]).
- The importance of ongoing communication between parents and family members, and teachers through, at a minimum, annual parent-teacher conferences; frequent reports on student progress; access to staff; opportunities for parents and family members to volunteer and participate in their child's class; and opportunities to observe classroom activities (ESSA Section 1116[d][2]).
- Parent-teacher conferences in elementary schools, at least annually, during which the Compact shall be discussed as it relates to the individual child's achievement (ESSA Section 1116 [d][2][A]).
- Frequent reports to parents and family members on their children's progress (ESSA Section 1116[d][2][B]).
- Reasonable access to staff, opportunities for parents and family members to volunteer and participate in their child's class, and observation of classroom activities (ESSA Section 1116[d][2][C]).

How does the school address this?

Our school solicits input from Title I parents on the compact annually. The compact is presented at ELAC and School Site Council (SSC) meetings for parents and staff to review and provide feedback. Feedback on the compact can also be provided throughout the year as parents wish to discuss it with administration. Parents receive information about Title I programs annually during the annual Title I meeting and during Parent/Teacher Conferences in the fall. At the Parent/Teacher conferences, parents are provided a hard copy of the School-Parent Compact, Title 1 Parent Engagement Policy, and resources to support parents to stay informed on student academic achievement and progress. Teachers share each individual student's academic achievement and progress with his/her parents at this time. Parents are also informed about student achievement data at the site's annual Title I meeting and at other parent meetings. At SSC, ELAC, and other meetings convened throughout the year, parents learn about the Title I program and how it can serve their children through supplemental programs. Parents also receive information through the district and school websites, via phone and/or email, parent/teacher conferences, Family Nights, and Back to School Night.

The school engages Title I, Part A parents and family members to improve the achievement of their children in meaningful interactions with the school. This Compact supports a partnership among staff, parents and family members, and the community to improve student academic achievement. To help reach these goals, the school has established the following practices: The school provides Title I, Part A parents and family members with assistance in understanding the state's academic content standards, assessments, and how to monitor and improve the achievement of their children (ESSA Section 1116[e][1]) in which ways?

During Parent/Teacher Conferences, grade-level content standards are shared as well as each child's progress toward meeting and achieving the standard. We host several family engagement nights throughout the school year focusing on core subject areas. Parents are also provided information on learning about the standards, assessments, and progress monitoring via the annual Title I meeting, ELAC meetings, SSC meetings, the school website, the district website, district parent trainings and meetings, including DELAC and the District Advisory Committee.

The school provides Title I, Part A parents and family members with materials and training to help them improve the achievement of their children (ESSA Section 1116[e][2]) in which ways?

Teachers provide take-home materials based on specific student needs using approved intervention materials. Parents are provided with training at family engagement nights on ways to work with their children to improve achievement, including information about the Smarter Balanced Assessment and online tools for practice.

With the assistance of Title I, Part A parents and family members, the school educates staff members in the value of parent and family member contributions, and how to work with parents and family members as equal partners (ESSA Section 1116[e][3]) in which ways?

Our regular staff development provides strategies and best practices for working as partners with parents. Teachers and staff attend parent meetings and district sponsored parent trainings in order to partner with parent participants.

The school coordinates and integrates the Title I, Part A parental involvement program with other programs, and conducts other activities, such as resource centers, to encourage and support parents and family members in more fully participating in the education of their children (ESSA Section 1116[e][4]) in which ways?

Our school has staff subcommittees that design parent nights such as Literacy and Math Nights as well as school events involving the community. Parents receive training and strategies during these events on ways to work with their children to support achievement, including information about the Smarter Balanced Assessment and online tools for practice. Teachers often provide additional resources that are sent home to share strategies to build student literacy, comprehension, and math skills at home.

The school distributes information related to school and parent programs, meetings, and other activities to Title I, Part A parents and family members in a format and language that the parents and family members can understand (ESSA Section 1116[e][5]) in which ways?

Our school and district translate school-wide flyers for events into Spanish, as required.

The school provides support for parent and family member involvement activities requested by Title I, Part A parents and family members (ESSA Section 1116[e][14]) in which ways?

Thanks to our open door philosophy, parents feel welcome, safe and invited to make suggestions and requests for involvement/engagement programs. Parents report that they feel comfortable communicating with teachers one-on-one personally or through phone calls, email, or during conferences, where they may make requests for involvement/engagement activities or information, as needed. Parents receive information about Title I programs annually during Parent/Teacher Conferences in November. At the conferences, parents are provided a hard copy of the School-Parent Compact, Title I Parent Engagement Policy, as wells as resources to help parents stay informed on student academic achievement and progress. Parents are informed about student achievement data at the site's annual Title I meeting and at other parent meetings. At SSC, ELAC, and other meetings convened throughout the year, parents learn about the Title I program and how it can serve their children through additional support. Parents also receive information through the district and site websites, via phone and/or email, parent teacher conferences, family engagement nights, Back to School Night, and Open House.

The school provides opportunities for the participation of all Title I, Part A parents and family members, including those with limited English proficiency, disabilities, and migratory students; and that the information and school reports are provided in a format and language that parents and family members can understand (ESSA Section 1116[f]) in which ways?

Our school provides parents with frequent reports on their children's progress in English. Reports are translated into Spanish for Spanish speaking parents and other languages whenever possible, to foster effective communication and true engagement. All families are encouraged to schedule appointments or meetings with staff members. Interpreters are available as needed for conferences and meetings such as IEPs and SSTs. All families can connect with staff members through before and after school appointments, meetings, phone calls, and emails. Parents have opportunities to volunteer and participate in their child's class and to observe classroom activities. Our school translates all school-wide notices regarding Title I, ELAC, and SSC that are sent home into Spanish.

This Compact was adopted by the Rancho Elementary School on May 29, 2020 and will be in effect for the period of the 2020-21 School Year.

The school will distribute the Compact to all parents and family members of students participating in the Title I, Part A program on, or before: November 30, 2020.

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