



KENNEDALE ISD FAMILY ENGAGEMENT PLAN

2020-2021

Introduction

Family engagement is the process in which authentic relationships are established with families. These partnerships allow for families and the district to work together to benefit the whole child. Having strong family engagement is key to promoting a healthy development within children. Kennedale Independent School District is committed to providing opportunities and resources to ensure continuing growth and success of our students.

Per the Commissioner's Rule 102.1003 (f), "a school district or an open-enrollment charter school shall develop, implement, and make available on the district, charter, or campus website a family engagement plan to assist the district in achieving and maintaining high levels of family involvement and positive family attitudes towards education." House Bill 3 required that the family engagement plan include six components with associated events and/or practices. Some activities may meet more than one component and will be included in both.

Component 1: Facilitate Family-to-Family Support

- Meet the Teacher
- Monthly PTO Meetings
- Open House
- "Wildcat Wire" Monthly Newsletter
- Prekindergarten Newsletters
- Parent Volunteer Opportunities
- District Community Meetings
- Title 1 Campus Meetings
- English Learner Parent, Family, and Community Events

Component 2: Establish a Network of Community Resources

- English Learner Parent, Family, and Community Events
- Ready Rosie
- Children's Learning Institute
- District Family Support Services

Component 3: Increase Family Participation in Decision Making

- Title 1 Campus Meetings
- PTO Participation
- District Surveys
- School Health Advisory Council (SHAC)
- District Family Satisfaction Surveys
- District and Campus Improvement Committees

Component 4: Equip Families with Tools to Enhance & Extend Learning

- Ready Rosie
- Parent-Teacher Conferences
- Parent Notification of Assessment Performance
- Report Cards
- “Wildcat Wire” Monthly Newsletter

Component 5: Developing Staff Skills in Evidence-Based Practices that Support Families in Meeting their Children’s Learning Benchmarks

- Curriculum Training
- GOLD Assessment Training
- Early Childhood-Specific Professional Development
- Regular Meetings pertaining to HB3 Components
- Early Childhood Mentoring and Coaching
- Vertical Alignment Meetings
- Regular Professional Learning Community (PLC) Meetings

Component 6: Evaluate Family Engagement Efforts and Using Evaluations for Continuous Improvement

- District Parent Survey Feedback
- Student Performance Data
- Ready Rosie Participation/Enrollment Data
- Annual Prekindergarten Program Evaluation

Conclusion

In conclusion, Kennedale Independent School District is committed to excellence, and the means to excellence for all students is through family engagement.