

Menifee Central

Parent and Family Engagement Policy

Legal Requirement of Title I, Part A

PURPOSE

Parents serve as a key shareholder in the educational processes of the students attending Menifee Central. The *Parent and Family Engagement Policy* of Menifee Central ensures equitable participation in the planning, reviewing, and implementing of all parent programs and activities.

PARENT DEFINITION

A parent is legally defined as a *biological parent, step-parent, or a foster parent of a student or a person who has legal custody of a student pursuant to a court order and with whom the student resides.* For the purpose of this policy, *parents encompass all family situations.*

PARENT ENGAGEMENT DEFINITION

Kentucky Family Engagement Definition:

A productive, equitable and inclusive partnership among families, educators and the community to promote child's learning and development from birth through college and career, and across home, school and community settings.

Family and community partnerships are about building an active, reciprocal relationships in which schools, families and community agencies and organizations engage in meaningful and culturally appropriate collaboration to improve student outcomes:

Parent involvement can be accomplished in a variety of ways, which include the following:

- **Communicate** High Expectations, by consistently communicating high expectations for student performance families can help their child succeed. Teachers can help families by sharing milestones students should meet to be on a successful academic path.
- **Monitor** Their Child's Performance, when families support their child's success by regularly checking in with them and teachers. Teachers can support families by consistently and proactively engaging with them about student progress and by being available to families in a timely way.
- **Support** Learning at Home, families support and reinforce learning at home, their children do better in school. Teachers can help families support learning at home through consistent academic partnership and ongoing communication.
- **Guide** Their Child's Education, families play a critical role in navigating their child's education experience from preschool all the way through college. The school community can support families by connecting them to resources and activities that support their unique needs.
- **Advocate** for their child, families advocate for their children to ensure they get the personal attention and necessary support they need to be successful at school. Teachers can keep open channels of communication with families while school leadership can create a feedback-friendly environment.

PROCEDURES

Menifee Central, along with the district Federal Programs' Coordinator, shall convene an annual meeting at a time that is convenient for parents. All parents are invited and encouraged to attend. At this meeting, parents will be informed of the school's participation in a Title I Schoolwide Program, the purpose and requirements of Title I, and their right to be involved. Particular attention shall be given to reaching those parents who are economically disadvantaged, are disabled, have limited English proficiency, have limited literacy, or are of any racial or ethnic minority background.

Menifee Central shall engage parents in an organized, ongoing, and timely manner in the Title I planning, review, and improvement of programs; this includes the joint development of the school parent and family engagement policy.

SCHOOL-FAMILY COMPACT

Menifee Central and the parents of the students participating in the activities, services, and programs agree that improved student achievement is a shared responsibility. Menifee Central and its parents will build and develop a partnership that will assist students in achieving proficiency

Menifee Central will...

- provide high-quality curriculum and instruction in a supportive and effective learning environment that enables the participating students to meet Kentucky's student academic achievement standards,
- communicate clear expectations,
- utilize research-based materials and methods,
- provide a safe, positive, and healthy learning environment for each student, and
- address the individual needs of each student.

Parents will...

- ensure their child attends school regularly, is punctual, and prepared to learn,
- create an atmosphere that supports learning,
- encourage their child to demonstrate respect for school personnel, classmates, and school property,
- remain informed about their child's education,
- model respect by going to the teacher first regarding concerns, and
- guarantee that any homework assignments are neat and complete.

Students will...

- come to school on time and be prepared to learn,
- obey all school and classroom rules,
- pay attention to their teachers, tutors, and family members and ask for help when needed, and
- commit to learning and do their best work each day.

BACKGROUND CHECKS

Any parent wishing to serve as a parent volunteer in the school must complete a criminal background check and attend confidentiality training.

CONCERNS

Any comments or concerns regarding Menifee Centrals *Parent and Family Engagement Policy* shall be submitted to

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POLICY EVALUATION

The effectiveness of this policy shall be evaluated through the school improvement planning process.

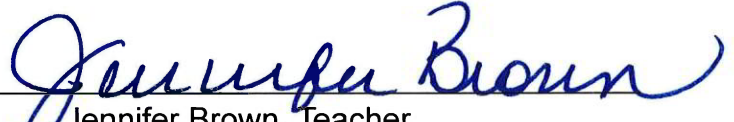
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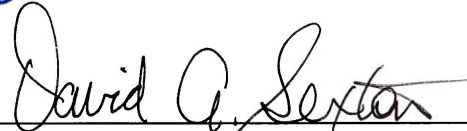

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