

Lewis Elementary School
Parent and Family Engagement Policy ESSA 2020 – 2021

In support of strengthening student academic achievement, each school that receives Title I, Part A funds must develop jointly with, agree on with, and distribute to, parents of participating children a School Parental Involvement Policy that contains information required by section 1118(b) of the Elementary and Secondary Education Act (ESEA). The policy establishes the school’s expectations for parental involvement and describes how the school will implement a number of specific parental involvement activities.

PART I. GENERAL EXPECTATIONS

The School agrees to implement the following statutory requirements:

- *The school will jointly develop with parents, distribute to parents of participating children, a School Parental Involvement Policy that the school and parents of participating children agree on.*
- *The school will notify parents about the School Parental Involvement Policy in an understandable and uniform format and, to the extent practicable, will distribute this policy to parents in a language the parents can understand.*
- *The school will periodically update the School Parental Involvement Policy to meet the changing needs of parents and the school.*
- *The school will adopt the school’s school-parent compact as a component of its School Parental Involvement Policy.*
- *The school agrees to be governed by the following statutory definition of parental involvement, and will carry out programs, activities and procedures in accordance with this definition:*

Parental involvement means the participation of parents in regular, two-way, and meaningful communication involving student academic learning and other school activities, including ensuring—

- (A) parents play an integral role in assisting their child’s learning;*
- (B) parents are encouraged to be actively involved in their child’s education at school;*
- (C) that parents are full partners in their child’s education and are included, as appropriate, in decision-making and*
- (D) on advisory committees to assist in the education of their child;*
- (E) the carrying out of other activities, such as those described in section 1118 of the ESEA.*

PART II. DESCRIPTION OF HOW THE SCHOOL WILL IMPLEMENT REQUIRED SCHOOL PARENTAL INVOLVEMENT POLICY COMPONENTS

| <i>Lewis Elementary School will involve parents in the joint development and joint agreement of its School Parental Involvement Policy and its school wide plan, if applicable, in an organized, ongoing, and timely way under section 1118(b) of the ESEA.</i> | |
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| Activities/Strategies | Timeline |
| Meet with CPIC committee twice a year | Fall/Spring |
| Open House starting at 5:00 PM | September 24 |
| Educating Parents on Volunteerism | On going |
| Parent Survey Online | On going |
| PTA Meetings | On going |
| Enrollment Packets Orientation to help make information needed for student safety | On going |

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| Goals Night | Sept.15 |
| <i>Lewis Elementary School will distribute to parents of participating children and the local community, the School Parental Involvement Policy.</i> | |
| Activities/Strategies | Timeline |
| Posted on website | Ongoing |
| Two Title 1 Parent Meeting | Sept. and Nov. |
| Enrollment Packet | Ongoing |
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| <i>Lewis Elementary School will convene an annual meeting to inform parents of the following:</i> | |
| Activities/Strategies | Timeline |
| PTA Meetings | September |
| Calendar of Events | Ongoing |
| Honoring Teachers and Teacher Appreciation efforts | Every 6 weeks |
| Student Activities | On going |
| Two Title 1 Parent Meeting | Sept. and Nov. |
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| <i>Lewis Elementary School will provide to parents of participating children a description and explanation of the curriculum in use at the school, the forms of academic assessment used to measure student progress, and the proficiency levels students are expected to meet.</i> | |
| Activities/Strategies | Timeline |
| Newsletter | Twice semester |
| Faculty and Staff e-mailing parents | Ongoing |
| Calling Parents | Ongoing |
| Posters on school walls | Ongoing |
| Letters mailed home | Ongoing |
| Letter sent home with Students | Ongoing |

PART III. SHARED RESPONSIBILITIES FOR HIGH STUDENT ACADEMIC ACHIEVEMENT

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| <i>Lewis Elementary School will build the schools' and parent's capacity for strong parental involvement, in order to ensure effective involvement of parents and to support a partnership among the school involved, parents, and the community to improve student academic achievement.</i> | |
| Activities/Strategies | Timeline |
| Parent training using Zoom o Google Meets | Twice a year |
| Lewis Website with links to encourage Parent Involvement | On going |
| Online Gradebook | On going |
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| <i>Lewis Elementary School will, with the assistance of its district, 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 parental involvement.</i> | |
| Activities/Strategies | Timeline |
| Parent Training using... | Twice a year |
| Book Fair | Twice Year |
| Science Night | Spring semester |

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| Goals Night | Spring semester |
| Math Night | Spring Semester |
| Getting Parents Ready for STAAR Night | Spring Semester |
| Building Strong Families Conference | October |
| <i>Lewis Elementary School will, with the assistance of its district and parents, educate its teachers, pupil services personnel, principals and other staff, in how to reach out to, communicate with, and work with parents as equal partners, in the value and utility of contributions of parents, and in how to implement and coordinate parent programs and build ties between parents and schools.</i> | |
| Activities/Strategies | Timeline |
| Staff Development | Monthly |
| Home visits | On going |
| Parent contact person meeting | Monthly |
| District Parental Involvement workshop for Teachers | August |
| Encourage Teachers to attend PTA Meetings and other Parent Activities | On going |
| <i>Lewis Elementary School will, to the extent feasible and appropriate, take the following actions to ensure that information related to the school and parent-programs, meetings, and other activities, is sent to the 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.</i> | |
| Activities/Strategies | Timeline |
| School website | On going |
| School messenger district phone system | As needed |
| Phone calls from Administrators/Staff | As needed |
| Newsletter | Twice semester |
| Student agendas with Calendar of Events | On going |
| Letter of Notification of Student Requirements | March |

PART IV. BUILDING CAPACITY FOR INVOLVEMENT

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| <i>Lewis Elementary School Parental Involvement Policy may include additional discretionary activities that the school, in consultation with its parents, chooses to undertake to build parents' capacity for involvement in the school to support their children's academic achievement.</i> | |
| Activities/Strategies | Timeline |
| Pastries & Parents — Parent Workshop | Oct., Feb., March |
| Latino Heritage Fiesta | October |
| Spring Creek Spirit Night | October |
| Lewis Elementary Family Feast | November |
| Veterans Day Program | November |
| Family Information about selection process for Roberson MS | November |
| Family information about Spring Leadership Academy | November |
| McTea's Her Night — McDonald's Spirit Night | November |
| Thanksgiving Luncheon | December |
| Winter Festival | December |
| Santa María — Strengthening Families Program | Jan. - April |
| 5 th Grade Orientation | February |
| Parent Group Meetings (evenings) | Monthly |
| Curriculum Night | Fall/Spring |