



2018/2019 Parent and Family Engagement Policy



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Defining Parental Engagement

NCLB defines parental engagement as "the participation of parents in regular, two-way, and meaningful communication involving student academic learning and other school activities including:

- *Assisting their child's learning;*
- *Being actively engaged in their child's education at school;*
- *Serving as full partners in their child's education and being included, as appropriate, in decision-making and on advisory committees to assist in the education of their child; and attending 1 to 2 events afterschool each month.*

A. Helen Major Elementary School Expectations;

Helen Major Elementary School will take the following actions to involve parents in the joint development of its parent involvement policy (section 1112) and the process of school review and improvement (section 1116):

- Helen Major Elementary School will actively recruit parents and caregivers to participate in an advisory capacity.
- Parents and Helen Major Elementary School personnel will meet annually to review and discuss the parent involvement policy.
- Helen Major Elementary School will schedule meetings at convenient times and locations to allow for active participation in a comprehensive review of policy and parent programs.
- Helen Major Elementary School will present the policy in a language and format that parents and families can understand.

B. Helen Major Elementary School will provide the following necessary coordination support to assist this Title I, Part A school in planning and implementing effective parent engagement activities to improve student academic achievement and school performance:

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- Helen Major Elementary School will conduct meetings each nine-weeks with at least one parent and one campus representative to discuss and provide advice on all matters related to parental engagement.
- Helen Major Elementary School will maintain one campus Parent Engagement Liaison to coordinate meetings between parents and campus staff.

C. Helen Major Elementary School will take the following actions to conduct, with the engagement of parents, an annual evaluation of the contents and effectiveness of this parent engagement policy in improving the quality of this Title I, Part A school.

- Helen Major Elementary School will conduct a campus wide parent engagement survey for the annual evaluation of the campus programs and to identify barriers and effectiveness of the procedures in place.
- Helen Major Elementary School will present the survey in a format and language that parents can understand.

D. Helen Major Elementary School will build the school's and parents' capacity for strong parental engagement, in order to ensure effective engagement of parents and to support a partnership among the school involved, parents, and the community to improve student academic achievement, through the following activities specifically described below:

- The Parent Engagement Liaison will conduct parent meets each nine-weeks that address students' academic, social, and emotion needs.
- Helen Major Elementary School will provide assistance to parents in understanding topics such as the state's academic content standards, local assessments, how to monitor their child's progress, how to work with educators, etc.
- The Parent Engagement Liaison will collaborate with the campus PTO.

Adoptions

This Helen Major Elementary School Parental Engagement Policy has been developed jointly with, and agreed on with, parents of children participating in Title I, Part A programs.

This policy was adopted by the Helen Major Elementary School on August 28th, 2018 and will be in effect for the period of the 2018-2019 school year.



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