

Winship Elementary School
Spring Independent School District
Parent and Family Engagement Policy
2022-2023

Family Engagement

Parent Involvement is now identified as Parent and Family Engagement. Public Law 114-95 Section 1116.

Although this is not new ESSA (Every Student Succeeds Act) places a clear emphasis upon the role of families as equal partners.

Mission Statement

Our mission is to provide engaging learning opportunities that encourage academic and social growth for each student in a nurturing environment with family and community support.

Winship Elementary School's Expectations

Winship Elementary will take the following actions to engage family in the joint development of its Family Engagement Policy and the process of school review and improvement: Parents and guardians will create an annual engagement policy that is reviewed and written during the first parent meeting. It has been agreed upon by family and faculty members that the annual meeting is to be held at a convenient time such as, but not limited to, the first two parent organization meetings (such as PTO meetings) in September. Winship Elementary will actively recruit parents and caregivers to participate in an advisory capacity through blackboard notifications and invites sent via Class Dojo. The policy shall be made available via the school website and blackboard. Winship Elementary will present the policy in a language and format that families can understand. Winship Elementary's family policy shall be made available to the local community and updated as needed to meet the needs of the school population and needs of parents/guardians.

The Family Engagement Liaison shall conduct two annual meetings in the fall during September in the evening and November during the day to inform parents of annual Title I requirements and expectations of Winship Elementary as a Title I campus. Parents will be notified of such meetings via blackboard, flyers and Class Dojo. Winship Elementary will also conduct annual meetings in the fall to review and explain the Campus Improvement Plan. Any comments will be addressed to the principal, who will in return present concerns to the LEA office. The Campus Improvement Plan will be made accessible via the school website. Winship Elementary will also conduct a Winship Elementary will conduct meetings each nine-weeks with at least one family member and one campus representative to discuss and provide advice on all matters related to family engagement.

Winship Elementary will maintain an active PTO with monthly meetings at convenient times and locations to allow for active participation in a comprehensive review of policy and family programs. Winship Elementary may provide, with funds provided, in accordance with Section 1116, transportation, childcare, or home visits, as such services relate to parental involvement whenever possible. Winship Elementary School will maintain one campus Family Engagement Liaison to coordinate meetings between families and campus staff.

Winship Elementary and the Family Engagement Liaison shall conduct family meetings each nine-weeks that address students' academic, social, and emotional needs. There will be a virtual option so families are able to engage safely. Winship Elementary will also provide assistance to families in regards to topics such as, but not limited to, navigating online systems, the state's academic content standards, local assessments, how to monitor their child's progress, and how to work with educators. Winship Elementary will also conduct a campus-wide family engagement survey for the annual evaluation of the campus programs and to identify barriers and effectiveness of the procedures in place. The survey shall be presented in a format and language that families can understand.

The Family Engagement Liaison will work with the family engagement coordinator and collaborate with counseling staff to provide services to families.

Adoptions

This Winship Elementary Family Engagement Policy has been developed jointly with, and agreed upon with, families of children participating in Title I, Part A programs.

This policy was adopted by Winship Elementary on September 28, 2022 and will be in effect for the period of the 2022-2023 school year.