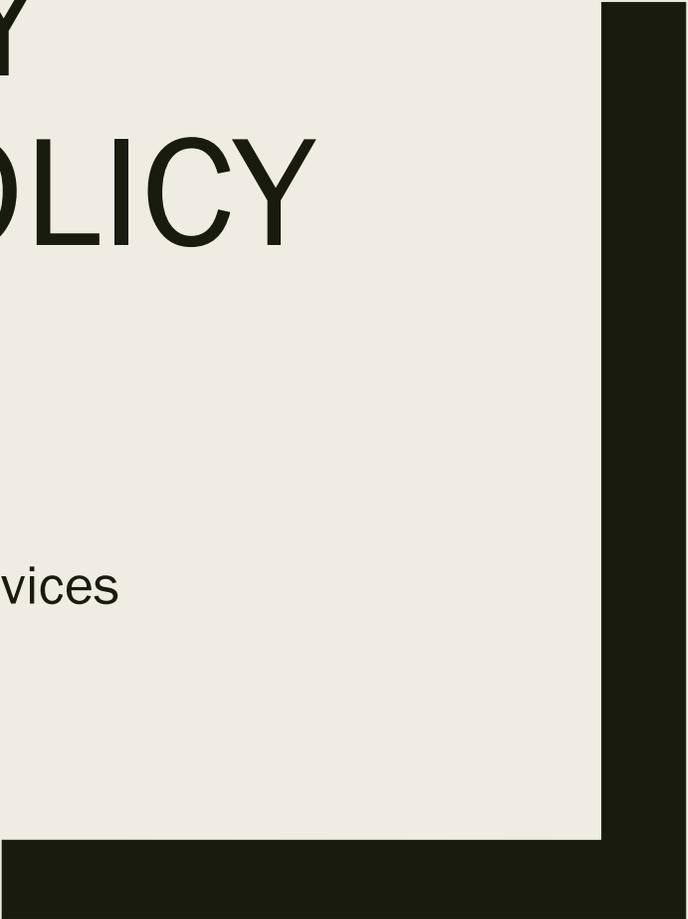




NEISD FAMILY ENGAGEMENT POLICY 2019-2020

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- EHBD (Legal)

- *A district that receives Title I, Part A funds shall develop jointly with, agree on with, and distribute to, parents of participating children a written parent involvement policy. The policy shall be incorporated into a District plan developed under 20 U.S.C. 6312.*
- *Each school served under Title I, Part A shall jointly develop with, and distribute to, parents of participating children a written parental involvement policy, agreed on by such parents, that shall describe the means for carrying out the requirements of 20 U.S.C. 6318(c)– (f). Parents shall be notified of the policy in an understandable and uniform format and, to the extent practicable, provided in a language the parents can understand.*

A Key Component

Family Engagement:

The participation of parents in regular, two-way, meaningful communication involving student academic learning and other school activities.

Why Family Engagement?

- Increases Student Achievement
- Improves Student Behavior
- Strengthens the Home School Connection
- Benefits All Students of All Ages
- Promotes School Quality

The Basic Elements of the Family Engagement Policy

- Purpose of Policy
- Policy Development
- Annual Meeting
- Campus Family Engagement Policy Requirements
- Building Family/Parental Capacity
 - *Family Specialist Role*

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North East ISD provides a quality education for every student in collaboration with a strong family engagement program. Both experience and research tells us that a child succeeds when there is a positive relationship between the home, school, and community. NEISD is dedicated to developing and maintaining partnerships with parents, school staff, and community members **for academic achievement for all of its students.**

North East ISD's Title I Advisory **Council** is comprised of parents, community members, administrators, teachers, and other staff members. The council will meet annually to discuss the design and implementation of the Family Engagement **Policy**, **how NEISD intends to use the Title I funds**, and explore ways the district and schools can encourage effective family engagement. **The policy is posted on the NEISD Family Engagement webpage and shared with all Title I schools. If interested in participating in this council, please call NEISD Family Engagement Liaison at 210-407-0118.**

The Title I District personnel provides coordination and technical assistance and a minimum of one percent allocation of funds to encourage parent and family engagement through campus activities. The District has also invested in a Parental Involvement Specialist at each of the district's Title I campuses for grassroots initiatives of family engagement to meet the needs of the campus and its community.

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Campus Family Engagement Policy

Each Title IA campus has its own Campus Family Engagement Policy. All North East ISD schools are dedicated to the belief that family engagement is key to the success of each student. The parents or guardians must be actively engaged in their students' education. For this reason, parents and guardians are encouraged to participate in campus events, **engage in a two-way communication with their student's teachers, and regularly check their students Skyward Family Access account.** By working together, we can achieve academic success for the students, **campuses, and community.**

Your engagement in this partnership may include:

- Encouraging your child to put a high priority on education and working with your child on a daily basis to make the most of the educational opportunities the school provides.
- Ensuring that your child comes to school ready to learn every day, completes all homework assignments, and attends tutoring as needed.
- Becoming familiar with all of your child's academic programs, school activities, extra-curricular activities, and special programs offered on your campus and within the district.
- Discussing with the **campus staff, to include the campus principal,** any questions you may have about the educational opportunities available to your child.
- Reviewing the requirements of the graduation programs and post-secondary options with your child, once your child enters middle school.

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- Monitoring your child's academic progress by building a relationship with your child's teachers and participate in an ongoing communication regarding decisions about student performance, instructional programs, and campus policies.
- Attending scheduled conferences and request additional conferences as needed.
- Becoming a school volunteer or mentor on campus.
- Participating in campus parent organizations, such as PTA or Watch Dogs. Contact the school for more information on these organizations.
- Serving as a parent representative on a district-level or campus-level planning committee. To volunteer, please contact the school office.
- Attending board meetings to learn more about district operations.
- Participate in the Parent Academy offered at your campus and attend the Annual Family Engagement Training to build parent capacity in various areas such as Parenting, Life Skills and Essential Knowledge, Academic Support, Health and Safety, and Cultural and Art Awareness.

Coordination of Title I

NEISD Family Engagement coordinates and collaborates with the strategies of other educational programs such as Early Childhood (Pre-K), Bilingual, Special Education, Family Services, Adult & Community Education, Guidance, and Student Leadership & Well-Being for the betterment of all student's academic success.

Questions and Approval