

McDowell County Schools

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## Title I Parent and Family Engagement Plan

## **Statement of Purpose:**

Parent participation is integral to educating students in our Title I Program. They are our partners in teaching and nurturing. Every effort to invite and consider parent and community input is made to ensure the success of our students. Parents should collaboratively assist Title I personnel in designing the instructional program, overseeing the implementation process, and evaluating results within the accepted limits of federal regulations.

## **Procedures for Parental Engagement:**

- 1. All teachers will systematically report to parents the student's mastery of specific standards-based objectives.
- 2. The ongoing conversation between school personnel and parents will be candid, supportive, and flow in both directions.
- 3. The school will regularly communicate with parents about its expectations of them and the importance of the curriculum of the home (what parents can do at home to support their children's learning).
- 4. The school's key documents (Parent and Family Engagement Plan, Mission Statement, Compact, Homework Guidelines, Classroom Visit Procedures) will be annually distributed and frequently communicated to teachers, school personnel, parents, and students.
- 5. The school will provide parents/guardians with practical guidance to maintain regular and supportive verbal interactions with their children.
- 6. The school will provide parents (families) with practical guidance to encourage their children's regular reading habits at home.
- 7. Teachers will formally meet with family members (parents or guardians) at least twice a year to engage in two-way communication regarding students' cognitive, socio-emotional, and physical development outside the classroom.
- 8. Parent (Family) representatives will advise the School Leadership Team on matters related to family-school relations.
- 9. McDowell County Schools will notify all parents of the Annual Parent Engagement (Public Hearing) Meeting.
- 10. The district and school will maintain a parent advisory council to help facilitate parent engagement ideas and activities.



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## Dear Parent/Guardian:

Your participation in your student's education is important to us. Because of this, we have developed our district's Parent and Family Engagement policy and plan. This policy and plan explain how we seek to collaborate with parents to review and improve parent programs. We value your involvement and encourage you to take the time to read this plan.

Federal law requires us to distribute our Parent and Family Engagement Policy and Plan to parents. Please sign the form below and return it to your child's classroom teacher so that we can be sure you received this important information.

Sincerely,

Crystal Hamby Executive Director of Elementary Education and Federal Programs		
I have received the parent e	ngagement policy and	plan described in this letter. Parent
Signature:		Date:
Print Parent's Name:		
Print Student's Name:		
Teacher:	School:	Grade: