



## **West Mifflin Area School District Title I Parent/Family Engagement Policy**

It is the policy of the West Mifflin Area School District to involve families-parents and/or guardians in all aspects of their children's education. We recognize the importance of parents/guardians in the learning and education of each child. Teaching and learning can take place in school and any time parents and children do things together. Everyone gains when the school and home work together to foster high achievement. Neither home nor school can do the job alone.

The West Mifflin Area School District Title I staff and parent team, has developed the following Parent/Family Engagement Policy:

1. At all Title I schools, families will be invited to meet with the school staff to discuss the following:
  - a. The Title I program, funding, purpose, and how the Title I fund will be used.
  - b. Explanation and signing of the School compact, which outlines how families, school staff, and students will share the responsibility for improved student achievement.
  - c. Opportunities to develop topics and plan for other Title I activities
2. During each school year, an opportunity will be provided to examine the Title I program and Family-School-Student Compact, and make suggestions for changes.
3. Title I staff will participate with the classroom teacher in scheduled conferences when they occur.
4. Families have the opportunity to meet with Title I staff upon request.

5. Family Workshops/Conferences/Information will be provided on topics identified through parent/family feedback.
6. Families may request suggestions for ways to help their child at home, which will be provided by a Title I Parent/Family Liaison.
7. Program plans and evaluations are addressed through faculty/parent meetings.
8. Family engagement activities may take place outside the schools, in places convenient for families, such as community centers.
9. Every attempt will be made to eliminate barriers (such as disabilities, limited English proficiency, or limited literacy) to full participation for families.
10. The family engagement program will develop and promote coordination between the school district and all community preschool programs such as PA Pre-K Counts, local Head Start classrooms affiliated with the school district, including the Pre-K/KDG Transition Team with the Allegheny Intermediate Unit. The district also coordinates with the high school child care classes, local day care programs and Christian based preschools within the community.
11. The parent/family engagement program will be a coordinated effort of the entire school staff.
12. Families of children in Title I schools may request and receive timely information regarding the professional qualifications of their child's classroom teachers.

West Mifflin Area School District's Parent/Family Engagement Policy was reviewed at the end of the 2023-2024 school year.