



Francisco Middle School
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“Home of the Rams”

Title I School-Level Parental Involvement Policy

STATEMENT OF PURPOSE:

Francisco Middle School values the collaboration between home, community, and school. The involvement of parents and community members is an essential component of developing high achieving students. Every effort to invite and consider parent and community input is made to ensure the success of our students. Francisco Middle School has developed a written Title I parent involvement policy with the input from parents, teachers, and administrators.

Involvement of Parents in the Title I Program

Parent involvement means the participation of parents in regular, two-way, and meaningful communication involving student academic learning and other school activities. To ensure that parents and community have the opportunity to support the educational process through participation in decision making and volunteer activities, we encourage active participation by:

1. Holding an annual Title I meeting to inform parents of school wide program requirements and their rights which occurs at our Back-to-School Night meeting each Fall.
2. Offering a flexible number of meetings:
 - a. Francisco Middle school offers a variety of opportunities for regular meetings including monthly School Site Council meetings, twice a year Community Meetings, monthly English Language Advisory Committee (ELAC) meetings, monthly Parent Teacher Organization (PTO) meetings.
 - b. Parents are welcome to schedule an appointment with teachers, administration, and/or counselors at any time throughout the year.
 - c. Involving parents in an organized, ongoing, and timely way, in the planning, review, and improvement of its school programs and the Title I parental involvement policy.
 - d. The academic program is reviewed regularly at School Site Council meetings and opportunities for input are given during the development of the Balanced Scorecard (SSC) and through Community Meetings.
3. Providing parents of Title I students with timely information about school programs, including academic information regarding curriculum and assessment, through:
 - a. Back to School Night or Science Night
 - b. SSC/ELAC/PTO Meetings
 - c. Parent and Community Resource Binder located in the Main Office or Parent Liaison open office hours
 - d. Parent Handbook sent home annually (Fall of each school year)
 - e. Parent conferences; families are also welcome to schedule appointments with teachers, administration, and/or counselors at any time during the school year

- f. Monthly school newsletter
- g. Parent Workshops - help parents work with their children to develop positive academic skills, habits, and attitudes
- h. Transition to High School Workshops

Building Capacity for Involvement

Francisco Middle School engages Title I parents in meaningful interactions with the school. It supports a partnership among staff, parents, and the community to improve student academic achievement. To help reach these goals, the school does the following:

1. Assists Title I parents in understanding academic content standards, assessments, and how to monitor and improve the achievement of their children.
 - a. Data reviews and monitoring of student achievement is reviewed by School Site Council. These meetings are open to all parents, staff, and community members
 - b. Parents receive student test scores in the mail and teachers explain academic content standards, assessments, and how parents can assist their student's progress during Back To School Night presentations and parent conferences
 - c. On-site parent liaison coordinates parent workshops to understand academic program and how parents can work as partners in monitoring student progress and maximizing student achievement
 - d. Parents and staff to meet and collaborate regarding shared responsibility and cooperation with one another as equal partners
2. Distributes to parents information related to school and parent programs, meetings, and other activities in a form and language that the parents understand.
 - a. Monthly newsletters include upcoming meeting dates, time and location and include suggestions on how parents can work with their students at home
 - b. Meeting agendas are posted on the community bulletin board and the school website
 - c. The Parent and Community Resource Binder located in the main office includes:
 - School/Meeting Calendar
 - Parent/Student Handbook Volunteer Applications/Information
 - Curriculum and Assessment Information

Accessibility

Francisco Middle School, along with our LEA, provides full opportunities for the participation of parents with limited English proficiency, parents with disabilities, and parents of migratory students including providing information and school reports required under 20 U.S.C. Section 6311 in a format and to the extent practicable, in a language such parents understand. (20 U.S.C. § 6318(f).) Please see the principal if you would like to inquire about these additional opportunities or accommodations.