

Parent Involvement Plan 2023-2024

Oakbrooke Elementary

School Mission: The purpose of Oakbrooke Elementary is to instill a love of learning by providing opportunities for all students to apply gained knowledge for the purpose of continued success.

Oakbrooke Elementary is under the leadership of Kimberly Truslow, Principal, and Rachel Dukes, Assistant Principal. Oakbrooke Elementary serves grades Pre-K through 5th grade with approximately 430 students.

Parent Involvement Committee Members

Aaron & Tess Acevedo, parents	Olivia Luallen, parent facilitator/teacher
Elizabeth Foster, parent	Kim Truslow, principal
Michelle Hawkins, parent	Faculty Representatives from Oakbrooke on Parental Involvement Committee
Nicole Dave, parent & teacher	

Oakbrooke Elementary will communicate with parents in the following ways to increase parent involvement and to support classroom instruction by:

- Flyers and callouts are made on an as needed basis promoting school events. It includes school news, a calendar of events, and parenting tips related to school achievement.
- Routinely contacting parents on an individual basis to communicate about their child's progress. Daily communication will be sent by a communication folder. Feedback regarding work is in Schoology for parents to see. The PBIS app will be used for two-way communication with parent and teacher for information regarding school behavior. Parents can also access HAC (Home Access Center) to check student grades.
- Using the student handbook, school website (oakbrooke.pcssd.org), signage, and parent orientation meetings to display information regarding the school-wide plan.
- Providing parents with an interim report on the 5th week of the first, second, third, and fourth 9 weeks. Report cards will be sent every 9 weeks with information regarding their child's academic progress.
- Conferencing with parents through parent teacher conference days to discuss student's progress, standardized test scores, and an explanation of the interventions teachers are using to assist the child in reaching achievement goals. Parents will be asked to engage in discussion of how they can support these efforts. Conferences for this school year are scheduled for September 25 (all day) and February 5 (all day).
- A Parent Center will be available for parents to check out resources and use at home. The teachers will discuss what the students is struggling with during conferences and other communication. The parents will use teacher communication as well as analyzing the interim and report cards to find what skills their student needs extra practice in. That way the parents know exactly what they can get in the parent center.
- Communicating with other parents and staff at Oakbrooke through the Oakbrooke Facebook account.

Oakbrooke Elementary will plan the following meetings to increase parent involvement and to build staff and parent capacity by:

- Title I Parent Meeting & Open House before school starts
- School wide PBIS incentives
- PTO General Membership Meetings
- PTO planned events
- WATCH Dog Dad Meetings
- Parent Conferences (twice scheduled per year)
- Title I Family Nights (possible events):
 - Trunk or Treat
 - Turkey Trot
 - Food Truck Family Night
 - Talent Show
- Book Fair
- Winter Holiday Parties
- Valentine Parties
- Teacher Appreciation Week
- Volunteer Appreciation Event
- Field Day
- Fifth Grade Graduation, Awards, & Pool Party

How will your school provide information to parents about volunteer opportunities?

- The school will send an electronic or paper volunteer survey. Parents will identify when and where they would like to assist in our school. (Ex. Field Trips, Tutor in class etc.)
- The school will encourage parents in the following types of roles and activities to increase their involvement and support:

1) Tutor	6) Teacher Helper
2) Parent School Organization	7) Picture Day Helper
3) Book Fair Helpers	8) School Parties
4) Field Day Volunteers	9) Watch Dog Dads
5) Family Nights	

How will your school provide opportunities for parents to be involved in the development, implementation and evaluation of the schoolwide school improvement plan, and the Annual Title I Meeting to engage them in the decision-making process regarding the school's Title I, Part A Program?

- The school shall enable the formation of a Parent Teacher Organization that will foster parental and community involvement within the school.
- Parents will serve on the School-wide Leadership Team to give input on the school improvement process.
- The school will invite parents to a Title I Meeting to address student improvement initiatives, new Arkansas State Standards, etc.

How will your school provide resources for parents?

- The school will distribute Informational packets, or provide digital copies, each year that includes a copy of the school's parental involvement plan, survey for volunteer interests, recommended roles for parents/ teachers/ students and school, suggestions of ways parents can become involved in their child's education, parental involvement activities planned for the current school year and information about the system that will be used to allow parents and teachers to communicate (notes, phone calls, email).
- To promote and support responsible parenting, the school shall, as funds are available: purchase parenting books, magazines, and other informative materials regarding responsible parenting through the school parent center, advertise information, and give parents the opportunity to borrow the materials for review.
- Keep our current parent center up to date with current helpful information for parents. (GAMES, PARENTING TIPS, VIDEOS are available for check-out)
- Included in the school's policy handbook the school's process for resolving parental concerns, including how to define a problem, whom to approach first, and how to develop solutions.

Oakbrooke Elementary is a Title I School which means that Federal Title I funds for school improvement are awarded based on the number of students receiving free or reduced lunch. Therefore, supplemental money is provided to help support the needs of ALL students.