Angie Grant Parental and Family Engagement Plan 2021-2022

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Committee Members

- Mark Rash administrator/facilitator
- Mallory Elledge parent/ and PTO representative
- Melly Lozano parent
- Laura Lancaster- teacher
- Mellissa Lee- teacher
- Shara Rickette ESL teacher
- Shari Day Community Representative
- Fred Harris Parent

The mission of the Angie Grant Parent and Community Engagement Committee is to collaborate with all stakeholders as well as staff members and parents to improve parent and community engagement and involvement.

Jointly Developed

The parent and teacher representatives collaborate and collectively review and revise the plan during the meetings multiple times each year. The committee meetings will be held at a time when all members are available.

The school will share the parent and family engagement plan at an open house. We will provide opportunities for parents to sign-up to volunteer. Also the school will share the parent and family engagement plan electronically through the school wide website and Facebook page.

The committee will take the results of the Parent Needs and Interest survey and determine additions or revisions to the plan at least twice a year.

The Angie Grant committee consists of parents and teachers from k-2 and 3-4 to ensure adequate representation of our school population as well as the school administrator and community members.

Annual Title 1 Meeting

The school will host an annual Title 1 meeting in September to inform parents of the Title 1 requirements and the school's participation as well as the parents' rights to be involved.

Parents will receive information about what it means to be a Title 1 school and the services the school provides through the use of Title 1 funds.

Communications

To make the plan available for families and the local community, the plan is posted on the Angie Grant school website and all Facebook pages by August 1, each year.

Information will be provided to families through the school website, Facebook, notes home, encouraging students to encourage their parents to attend, and the school alert system. All notes will be translated in the language that families can understand.

A parent volunteer survey will be sent out for parents to sign-up for volunteer opportunities.

A informational packet will be sent out to parents yearly

Parent meetings will be scheduled at different times to accommodate parents.

The school will try to provide child care for parents that are attending parent meetings by having teachers volunteer to take students. Transportation may be provided at parents' request.

Use the Alert Now system to remind parents about events during the 2021/2022.

Progress reports, report cards, and weekly folders are sent home to parents to communicate student progress. Teachers will also use Class DoJo.

The plan will be made available in English and Spanish

Interpreters are provided for ESL or hearing impaired families as requested.

School-Parent Compact

The school staff will develop a school-parent compact.

This will outline how parents, school staff, and students share responsibility for improving student achievement and the means by which the school and parents will build and develop a partnership to help children achieve the state's academic standard.

All stakeholders will have the opportunity to sign the compact.

The school-parent compact informs parents of the two parent/teacher conference events scheduled.

The school will take the volunteer interest survey and make a list of parents that are willing to volunteer.

Reservation of Funds

Angle Grant will use the Title 1 money to buy materials for family engagement nights. (Literacy Nights and Math Nights)

Coordination of Services

We will involve community resources and guest speakers in our school.

We will hold at least one community stakeholders meeting to inform our community stakeholders about the great things that are going on at Grant.

Send home reminders for parents throughout the year for parent tips and safety tips.

ESL family night scheduled during Fall Semester.

Provide Seven Habits for Effective Families during the school year.

Partner with the Saline County Library as to how they can work with our school.

Each grade level will plan a curriculum night to share expectations of the curriculum and goals for the coming school year.

The Benton Fire Department puts on a fire safety course for students.

Our student partners with a local church that provides back pack snacks for students that need the extra snacks for the weekend. These are passed out every Friday.

The Angie Grant PTO plans events throughout the year for parents to be involved.

Building Capacity of Parents

The school will schedule two parent involvement meetings throughout the year.

The school will host dinner with the teachers nights for each grade level.

The school will send home a list of helpful web-sites for parents to use with their children.

The school will host a training for parents as to how to use Google Classroom or other platforms that the school may use in order to help their children virtually in case the school is closed again.

The school will provide sample problems and examples to help parents to understand what is expected from their children.

The school will provide parent-informational letters about different strategies and learning activities that can help their children.

The Report to the Public each September is an opportunity to share school and student performance data with families in ways to seek their ideas about how to improve performance toward Arkansas's challenging standards.

Building Capacity of School Staff

Teachers/administrators participate in professional development opportunities to increase and/to update their strategies on reaching parents and involving them as equal partners in education.

Host a culture night to help staff understand different cultures.

The school will send out parent surveys to gain feedback from parents as to how to improve the school.

Teachers will send newsletters throughout the year in user-friendly language.

Teacher communication channels are also listed. The process for addressing questions or concerns should begin with classroom teachers. Unresolved concerns should be discussed with Mr. Rash, Assistant Principal or Mrs. Bacon, Principal. Additional concerns may be addressed by Dr. Kim Anderson, Assistant Superintendent for Elementary Schools.

Building Capacity

The school will look into training parents on the Seven Habits of Highly Effective Families.