

**Ringgold Elementary School**

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Plan Review/Revision Date:	3/29/2021
District Level Reviewer, Title:	Dr. Kim Anderson, Assistant Superintendent
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Committee Members, Role:

First Name	Last Name	Position
Catalina	Beasley	Parent
Walt	Garrett	Parent
Laci	Goff	Teacher
Rhonda	Redmond	Parent Engagement Facilitator



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### 1: Jointly Developed

#### **Does the School Parent and Family Engagement Plan describe how the school will accomplish each of the required components?**

The school parent and family engagement plan was developed by the committee for the 2021-2022 school year on March 29, 2021.

In December 2021 or January 2022 there will be a mid-year review of the parent engagement plan with committee input.

In March/April 2022 the plan will be evaluated by the committee and the 2022-2023 plan will be developed.

The committee is made up of the Parent Engagement Facilitator/Assistant Principal, 2 parents and one teacher.

Parents may request meetings with the Parent Engagement Facilitator or committee at any time throughout the year.

The district will be made aware of any comments from parents regarding the Title 1 plan that are not satisfied.

### 2: Annual Title I Meeting

The purpose of the annual Title I meeting is to disseminate information only and cannot be used as an opportunity for gathering input into the Parent and Family Engagement Plan and School-Parent Compacts. The meeting will be held no later than September 30, 2021.

### 3: Communications

#### **Does the School Parent and Family Engagement Plan describe how the school will accomplish each of the required components?**

Ringgold's Parent Engagement Plan was made available for the 2019-2020 school year on the school website by October 1, 2019.

The 2020-2021 plan and every plan hereafter will be available by August 1.

The parent engagement facilitator's contact information will be included in the plan. (Rhonda Redmond - Parent Engagement Facilitator - (501)778-3500 - [rredmond@bentonschools.org](mailto:rredmond@bentonschools.org))



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The plan will be made available in English and Spanish and both will be posted on the school website.

Annually, an interest survey regarding ways to volunteer and a needs survey will be made available to parents. These will include an opportunity for parents to ask questions or provide suggestions, comments, or requests.

The school weekly folder is a means of two way communication that also includes a calendar of the school year.

Parents sign the handbook annually that they have received the parent engagement plan for the district.

Meetings are offered throughout the year by request and through PTO. These meetings are offered both in evening and daytime events.

2 parent/teacher conference events are scheduled for evenings each year.

Use of Thrillshare calling & texting to notify parents of events will be utilized in 2021-2022 school year.

Surveys in the fall and spring will be utilized to adjust

Ringgold send home a monthly newsletter that includes parenting tips, school notices and a calendar of events

Ringgold holds an annual open house event to introduce parents to Ringgold Faculty & Staff, meet teachers, and ensure parents receive important school information in their spoken language

Ringgold holds ESL information nights for our English Language Learners and their parents

Teachers communicate through class Dojo and email to give parents immediate feedback

Ringgold PTO keeps parents informed of events through a PTO Facebook page.

Ringgold Elementary posts on a school Facebook page to keep parents informed

#### **4: School-Parent Compact**

#### **Does the School Parent and Family Engagement Plan describe how the school will accomplish each of the required components?**

The parent engagement committee reviews the school-parent compact each year at the parent engagement committee meeting to develop the parent engagement plan. (March 29, 2021 for the 2021-2022 school year plan)

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

In partnership with the PTO – volunteer surveys are collected each year in August.

The parent engagement plan and school-parent compact will be shared electronically through class Dojo in September 2021 for the 2021-2022 school year and encourage parent feedback.



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#### **5: Reservation of Funds**

##### **Does the School Parent and Family Engagement Plan describe how the school will accomplish each of the required components?**

Ringgold will use Title 1 funds for take home packets & materials for curriculum based events such as Math Night, Literacy Night, Science Night and PALS (Parents Assuring Literacy Success) meetings.

Title 1 Funds will be used to contract a science family night presenter.

Title 1 funds will be used to get parents necessary information about events and educational practices.

Parents are encouraged to provide feedback at the Title 1 annual meeting and throughout the year in surveys and committee meetings about how Title 1 funds should be used.

#### **6: Coordination of Services**

##### **Does the School Parent and Family Engagement Plan describe how the school will accomplish each of the required components?**

Ringgold partners with community to promote the instructional programs such as: volunteers from the community for career day, partnering with Ralph Bunch with essay writings, Benton Fire Department programs such as the smoke house & educational programs at school, School Resource Officer classes for safety and crisis response, LR Marathon partnership for Kids Marathon.

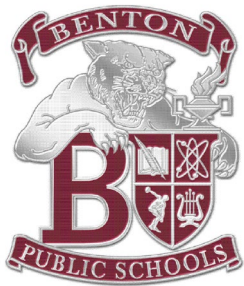
Ringgold Elementary houses the Pre-K program in Benton as well as the HIPPY program that provides parents with resources for upcoming students and their families.

Ringgold has a PTO program that meets monthly and organizes events and volunteer opportunities.

Ringgold partners and involves students and parents in recycling programs through Trex recycling program & Recycle Saline – students are recruited to be members of the Green Team BPD car seat safety at Ringgold.

In partnership with a local church, Ringgold is able to provide back pack snacks to 75 students every Friday. Foods include items such as: peanut butter, peanut butter crackers, macaroni and cheese, ramen noodles, etc.

Ringgold participates in giving back projects such as the peanut butter annual drive in August & creating holiday cards for a local nursing home in December



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## **7: Building Capacity of Parents**

### **Does the School Parent and Family Engagement Plan describe how the school will accomplish each of the required components?**

Ringgold PTO has regular meetings to discuss ways parents can participate in the educational programs.

Parents may request meetings with teachers and administrators.

There are two Parent/Teacher conferences every year.

Parents will have communication about curriculum through classroom teachers newsletters and reports to parents.

Parents will receive ACT Aspire results annually, NWEA results, and be notified if their child requires level I and/or II dyslexia screening.

Test results sent home include explanation of what those results mean and what they indicate in regards to student achievement.

Our annual report to the public & title 1 meeting presents to parents information about how Title 1 funds are spent, how Ringgold students score on State Assessments, how to find the Title 1 plan and standards for Arkansas students.

Parent nights for academic subjects (science night, literacy night, math night & PALS meetings) will be used to provide instruction and materials to assist parents in helping their child at home and explaining the Arkansas State Standards in those subject areas.

Our school compact supports responsible parenting.

Our school handbook supports responsible parenting.

HIPPY goes to families homes to give assistance in getting young children ready for school.

## **8: Building Capacity of School Staff**

### **Does the School Parent and Family Engagement Plan describe how the school will accomplish each of the required components?**

Teachers and administrators receive 2-3 hours per year of professional development in the area of parent/community engagement.

Capturing Kids Hearts is used to train teachers and staff in engaging parents and community in the school culture.

Parents and administrators use parent surveys to adjust our school improvement plan annually and our parent engagement plan.



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Parent engagement will seek interpreter to assist in ensuring information sent home is in languages spoken by parent populations represented at Ringgold.

The Benton Student handbook addresses how to handle conflict and ensures parents know we are in full partnership with them.

9: Building Capacity - Discretionary

**Did the School and Parents choose to include any Discretionary (Optional) Components in the School Parent and Family Engagement Plan?**

Parent Leadership - We use our interpreter parent (Catalina Beasley) to assist in training of parents in ways to be involved.