

2022-2023

Wheeling Middle School Parental Involvement Policy

PART I. GENERAL EXPECTATIONS

Wheeling Middle School agrees to implement the following statutory requirements:

Consistent with section 1118, the school district will work with its schools to ensure that the required school-level parental involvement policy meets the requirements of section 1118 (b) of the ESEA, and each includes, as a component, a school-parent compact consistent with section 1118(d) of the ESEA.

Schools will notify parents of the policy in an understandable and uniform format and, to the extent practicable, in a language the parents can understand. The policy will be made available to the local community and updated periodically to meet the changing needs of the parents and the school.

In carrying out the Title I, Part A, parental involvement requirements, to the extent practicable, the school will provide full opportunities for the participation of parents with limited English proficiency, parents with disabilities, and parents of migratory children, including providing information and school reports required under section 1111 of the ESEA in an understandable and uniform format and including alternative formats upon request and, to the extent practicable, in language parents understand.

If the school-wide program plan for Title I, Part A, developed under section 1112 of the ESEA, is not satisfactory to the parents of participating children, the school will submit any parent comments with the plan when the school submits the plan to the Local Education Agency (school district).

The School will provide parental involvement activities under section 1118 of the ESEA in the areas of improving student achievement, child development, child rearing, and additional topics parents may request.

Wheeling Middle School will involve the parents of children served in Title I, Part A schools in decisions funds reserved under this part are spent for parental involvement activities. The school will build its own and the parent's capacity for strong parent involvement, in order to ensure effective involvement of parents and to support a partnership among the school, parents and the community to improve student academic achievement.

Wheeling Middle School will be governed by the following statutory definition of parental involvement and will carry out programs, activities, and procedures in accordance with this definition:

Parental involvement means the participation of parents in regular, two-way, and meaningful communication involving student academic learning and other school activities, including ensuring—

- *That parents play an integral role in assisting their child's learning;*
- *That parents are encouraged to be actively involved in their child's education at school;*
- *That parents are full partners in their child's education and are included, as appropriate, in decision-making and on advisory committees to assist in the education of their child;*
- *The carrying out of other activities, such as those described in section 1118 of the ESEA.*

PART II. DESCRIPTION OF HOW SCHOOLS WILL IMPLEMENT REQUIRED DISTRICT WIDE PARENTAL INVOLVEMENT POLICY COMPONENTS

1. Wheeling Middle School will take the following actions to involve parents in the joint development and review of its school parental involvement policy under section 1118 of the ESEA:

- A Wheeling Middle School Title I Parent will be picked for membership in the Parent involvement Committee
- Wheeling Middle School will hold an annual meeting to gather input for revision of the school parental involvement policy.
- Records of meeting will be maintained and data will be gathered
- Appropriate actions will be taken based upon the suggestions of parents

2. Wheeling Middle School will take the following actions to involve parents in the process of planning, joint development of the program, review and improvement of programs under Title I Part A of the ESEA:

- Parents will serve on the Local School Improvement Council.
- Records of meetings will be maintained and data gathered.
- Appropriate actions will be taken based upon the suggestions of parents.
- Parents will provide input through annual surveys and dialogs with teachers and principals.

3. Wheeling Middle School will hold an annual meeting to inform parents of the school's participation in Title I, Part A programs, and to explain Title I, Part A requirements and the right of parents to be involved in Title I, Part A programs. The School will invite all parents of children participating in Title I, Part A programs to this meeting.

- The School will host a "Back to School Night" in August. All parents will be invited to attend. During this evening, the Title I staff will explain Title I, Part A requirements and the rights of parents to be involved in the Title I Part, A programs.

4. Wheeling Middle School shall provide parents of participating children information in a timely manner and out Title I, Part A programs that includes description and explanation of the school's curriculum, the forms of academic assessment used to measure children's progress, and the proficiency levels students are expected to meet.

- Incoming sixth grade students and their parents will receive information about the school's curriculum through the articulation meetings held annually in May.
- The school will hold a "Back to School Night" in August. During the evening, parents and students will receive and overview of the curriculum. Additionally, an explanation of the West Virginia General Summative Assessment data will be provided.

5. Wheeling Middle School shall provide, at the request of parents, provide opportunities for regular meetings, held at flexible times, for parents to formulate suggestions and to participate, as appropriate, in decision

about the education of their children. The School will respond to any suggestions as soon as practicably possible by:

- Parent/Teacher conferences
- Parents are invited to schedule meetings throughout the school year on an as needed basis.
- IEP meetings
- Telephone conferences
- Teachers are encouraged to maintain ongoing two-way communication with families and community members.

6. Wheeling Middle School shall provide each parent an individual student report about the performance of their child on the State assessment in math, and, reading, language arts by:

- The staff at Wheeling Middle School will distribute West Virginia General Summative Assessment scores to the parents during the "Back to School Night". The remaining scores will be distributed and parental receipt is documented and filed.

7. Wheeling Middle School shall take the following actions to provide parents timely notice when their child has been assigned or has been taught for four or more consecutive weeks by a teacher who is not highly qualified within the meaning of the term in section 200.56 of the Title I Final Regulations (67 Fed. Reg. 71710 December 2, 2002)

- Parents are sent notification by county/school
- The principal will attest annually in writing that the staff members are highly qualified through the first school newsletter.

8. Wheeling Middle School shall provide assistance to parents of children served by the school, as appropriate, in understanding topics by undertaking the action described below--

- the state's academic content standards
- the state's student academic achievement standards,
- the state and local academic assessments including alternate assessment,
- the requirements of Title I, Part A,
- how to monitor their child's progress, and
- how to work with educators

9. Wheeling Middle School shall provide materials and trainings to help parents work with their children in the areas of improving student achievement, (including literacy training and using technology) child development, child rearing and additional topics parents may request.

- Family Engagement Nights
- Conferences
- Open House
- Parent Education Programs
- School Academic and Enrichment organizations
- Title I Parent Advisory Committee

10. Wheeling Middle School shall, with the assistance of its parents, educate its teachers, pupil services personnel, principals and other staff in how to reach out to, communicate with, and work with parents as equal partners in the value and utility of contributions of parents, and in how to implement and coordinate parent programs and build ties between parents and schools, by:

- Parent/teacher conferences

- written/oral communication between parents
- School messenger system
- Utilization of Wheeling Middle School Facebook page and Schoology site

11. Wheeling Middle School shall take the following actions to ensure that information related to the school and parent programs, meetings, and other activities is sent to parents of participating children in an understandable and uniform format, including alternative formats upon request, and to the extent practicable, in a language the parents can understand.

12. Wheeling Middle School shall take the following actions to ensure parent communications are language appropriate. All school newsletters, the school's website, interim reports, report cards, attendance reports, and all other communications for parents will be provided for them in their primary language.

PART III. DISCRETIONARY SCHOOL WIDE PARENTAL INVOLVEMENT POLICY COMPONENTS

Additionally, the School Parental Involvement Policy, in consultation with its schools and parents, will build parents capacity for involvement in the school to support their children's academic achievement, such as the following discretionary activities listed under section 1118(e) of the ESEA:

- Providing necessary literacy training for parents coordinated by the Title I Home School Intervention Counselors and Title I staff from each school;
- Training parents to encourage the involvement of other parents conducted by the Title I Home School Intervention Counselors and Title I staff from each school;
- Arranging school meetings during the day and evenings for parents who are unable to attend scheduled school conferences;
- Conducting in-home conferences between educators and parents coordinated by the Title I Home School Intervention Counselors;
- Adopting and implementing model approaches to improving parental involvement using research-based strategies; and
- Establishing a School Parent Advisory Council to provide advice on all matters related to parental involvement in Title I, Part A programs.

PART IV. ADOPTION

This School Parental Involvement Policy has been developed jointly with, and agreed on with, parents of children participating in Title I, Part A programs.

This policy was adopted by Wheeling Middle School on May 12, 2022, and will be in effect for the period of 2022-2023 school year. The school district will distribute this policy to all parents of participating Title I, Part A children on or before September 8, 2022.

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Principal

8/22/22
Date