

PARENT INVOLVEMENT POLICY

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2. White Pass School District will involve the Parent Advisory Council in the process of school review and improvement.
3. White Pass School District will provide necessary coordination, technical assistance, and other support to assist Title I, Part A schools in planning and implementing effective parental involvement activities to improve student academic achievement.
4. White Pass School District will coordinate and integrate parental involvement strategies in Title I, Part A with parent involvement strategies in Pre-K programs (changed from Head Start).
5. White Pass School District will conduct, with the involvement of parents, an annual evaluation of the content and effectiveness of this parental involvement policy in improving the quality of its Title I, Part A schools (White Pass Elementary School and White Pass Junior High School).

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PROCEDURE FOR PARENT INVOLVEMENT POLICY

The following procedures shall be used to carry out the district's policy regarding parent involvement.

1. White Pass School District will involve parents in the joint development of its district-wide parental involvement policy by establishing a district-wide parent advisory council to provide an opportunity for input on matters related to parental involvement in Title I, Part A programs.
2. White Pass School District will involve the Parent Advisory Council in the process of school review and improvement by:
 - A. Convening a meeting in the fall to review assessment data.
 - B. Convening a meeting in the spring to review the results of parent surveys and review the previous year's policy and progress.
3. White Pass School District will provide necessary coordination, technical assistance, and other support to assist Title I, Part A schools in planning and implementing effective parental involvement activities to improve student academic achievement by:
 - A. Making facilities available for parent activities including, but not limited to: Open House, Christmas Program, Science Fair, PTO meetings and activities, building level Title I planning meetings, parent-teacher conferences, Strengthening Families, Relatives Raising Others, READY! For K, Books and Blankets, Evenings of Excellence, Teen Nights, Family Nights, TAP (Team Academic Planning) meetings, Evening Among the Stars (WASL celebrations), Family Math Nights (WASL Information Nights), Parent Learning Fairs, Tully's Koffee Klatches, barbeques for families volunteer celebrations, Night of the Fine and Performing Arts, and technology nights for parents.
 - B. Providing resources for parents to attend the annual Title I Parent Conference in Lacey.
 - C. Providing resources for parent newsletters to be sent home with students and/or sent home by mail, as well as posted on the school district website.
 - D. Ensuring that information related to the school, student achievement, parent programs, meetings, and other activities, is sent to the parents of participating children in an understandable format.
 - E. Recruiting, encouraging, supporting, and honoring parent volunteers in the buildings.
4. White Pass School District will coordinate and integrate parental involvement strategies in Title I, Part A with parent involvement strategies in Pre-K programs by:
 - A. Sponsoring meetings and screenings involving families of Pre-K programs and kindergarten teachers.
 - B. Inviting families of Pre-K programs to school activities such as Books and Blankets and READY! for K evenings.
5. White Pass School District will conduct, with the involvement of parents, an annual evaluation of the content and effectiveness of this parental involvement policy in improving the quality of its Title I, Part A schools (White Pass Elementary School and White Pass Junior High School).

- A. The evaluation will identify barriers that prevent greater participation in Title I parental activities by parents of economically disadvantaged, limited English proficiency, limited literacy, racial or ethnic minority students.
- B. The school district will use the findings of the evaluation to design strategies for more effective parental involvement.

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