

## 2017-18 Boone Park Parent & Family Engagement Plan

**District:** North Little Rock School District

**Grade Levels:** PreK-5

**Parent Involvement Coordinator:** Darby Wallace

**School Letter Grade:** D

**Are you Title I school wide:** yes

**Percent of free and reduced lunch:** 92.88% Currently the NLRSD is participating in the Community Eligibility Provision Program and all students eat breakfast and lunch free of charge

**Parent Involvement Committee Members:**

Steve Orobona, Principal

Darby Wallace, LMS and Parent Facilitator

Scot Tyler, Asst. Principal

Jamesetta Ballard, Human Services Worker

Monica Fields, Parent

Dorothy Smith, Parent

Kierra Fudge, Parent

Crrie Barenbrugge, Parent

Vicky Hendrix, Parent

Diccie Matthews, Parent

### **1. List various communication strategies used in your school to provide additional information to parents and to increase parental involvement in supporting classroom instruction.**

The school creates a monthly newsletter and calendar that the students, staff, principal and parent organization contributes information to. Mrs. Barton is in charge of this activity. She can be contacted at 501-340-5160.

The school maintains a website with instructional information as well as other parent involvement information. The contact for this website is Darby Wallace and she can be contacted at 501-340-5160.

The school's teachers communicate daily and weekly with parents through phone calls, notes, emails and weekly take home folders.

The school also hosts a Facebook page—Boone Park Elementary-We Are The Bengals. Mr. Orobona and Mrs. Wallace are both administrators of that page.

Boone Park will inform parents that a copy of the Parent & Family Engagement Plan can be provided in hard copy or on the website during the September Parent/Teacher conferences.

**2. List the proposed parent meeting, conferences and activities regularly throughout this year and the dates providing flexible meeting times that you have planned to increase parental involvement and build staff and parent capacity to engage in these types of efforts.**

Our calendar and the events listed are coordinated with Mr. Orobona, the Principal. He may be contacted at 501-340-5160.

### **School Events and Activities Calendar**

#### **August**

August 09th-Open House/Back to School Bash

August 21st- 1st grade Parent meeting-2:50 p.m.

#### **September**

September 20th-Mixx Fit-Parent & Cheerleaders camp

September 18th - PreK Information Fair

September 25th-2nd Cup of Coffee-5:30 p.m.-Title1 Mtg/ Parent Education & Family Affair night (Mobile Literacy Bus)

September 28th-Spirit Day

#### **October**

October 12th - Flu Clinic / End of 1st 9-Weeks

October 18th - 1st Nine Week Awards Assembly

October 19th-Bengal Bash

October 22nd-26th-Fit to Live

October 24th- Fall Pictures

October 30th-2nd Cup of Coffee-5:30 p.m.

October 31st-Spirit Day

#### **November**

November 09th - Fall Festival

November 20th -2nd Cup of Coffee-11:30 a.m-4:30 p.m.

(Thanksgiving Baskets to Boone Park Families)

November 30th -Spirit Day

#### **December**

December 06th - Fall Pic Make Up Day

December 20th-Christmas Program & 2nd Cup of Coffee-5:30 p.m.

December 21st-Classroom Christmas Party-1:30-2:30 p.m.

## **January**

January 07th - Work Day

January 10th-2nd Nine Week Awards Assembly

January 11th-Bengal Bash

January 29th-2nd-Cup of Coffee-5:30 p.m.

January 31st-Spirit Day

## **February**

February 01st-28th Black History Activities & History Bee

February 14th-Valentine Classroom Party-1:30-2:30 p.m.

February 15th-Valentine Social Grades 3-5

February 26th-2nd Cup of Coffee 5:30 p.m. (Cooking a Healthy meal)

February 28th-Spirit Day

## **March**

March 15th - PD Day

March 26th-2nd Cup of Coffee-5:30 p.m. Parent Education/ Game Night ((Mobile Literacy Bus)

March 27th-3rd Nine Week Awards Assembly

March 28th-Bengal Bash

March 29th- Spirit Day

## **April**

April 26th-Athletic Banquet

April 30th-2nd Cup of Coffee-5:30 p.m.

## **May**

May 20th -Pre-K & Kindergarten Promotion

May 21st-5th Grade Promotion/Parent/Volunteer Luncheon/2nd Cup of Coffee a.m.

May 22nd- Fun Day/Talent Show

May 23rd-Bengal Bash

May 24th –Spirit Day

### **3. How will your school provide information to parents about volunteer opportunities?**

The school will provide volunteer opportunities during orientation at the beginning of the school year, during monthly parent meetings (2nd Cup of Coffee), and in monthly communications like the calendar and newsletter. Mrs. Wallace, the parent facilitator for the school is responsible for this information. You may contact her at 340-5160.

Our staff will participate in Parent Involvement training during professional development training as required by the state and led by Julie Drake, Parent Involvement Facilitator for the school district. Responsible party: Mr. Orobona 501-340-5160 and Julie Drake 501-771-8013

#### **4. How will your school work with parents to create a School-Parent Compact?**

The school will create a School Parent Compact in which all staff, administration, students and parents will have an opportunity to be involved and have input. This will be done during monthly parent meetings and staff meetings. This compact will detail how the school and parents will work together to create the most positive and effective learning environment for the students. Mr. Orobona is the contact and her contact information is 501-340-5160.

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

The school asks parents to participate in school improvement meetings and committees, especially on the curriculum, wellness and instructional committees. This meeting takes place at the beginning of the school year during professional development times. During the Title I annual meeting, the parents are encouraged to ask about any Title I program and give input to the principal. The Title I meeting is held at the beginning of the school year, and this year will be held on September 25, 2018. The contact person for this is Mr. Orobona and his contact number is 501-340-5160.

The school shall enable the formation of a Parent Teacher Association or organization that will foster parental and community involvement within the school. Contact: Steve Orobona – Principal; Darby Wallace – Parent Facilitator 501-340-5160.

#### **6. How will your school provide resources for parents?**

The school provides a Parent Center full of resources and is open every day. It is easily accessible and well maintained. The center contains instructional materials and parenting magazines.

In addition, we do a monthly parent meeting called 2nd Cup of Coffee. During those meetings we provide as many resources to the parents as possible. Mrs. Ballard is the contact person and you may contact her at 501-340-5160. The school's Human Services Worker works closely with the staff and parents, providing any assistance she can to assist our parents.

Boone Park Elementary encourages parents to use the Arkansas Department of Education free resources available on their website under the parent tab. Several helpful links are on this site ranging from My Child/My Student, to information in regards to hot topics such as safety, health and many others.

Informational Packets will be available to parents. This packet will include pertinent information for a successful school year. Steve Orobona, 501-340-5160.

Darby Wallace, Media Specialist, has been named Parent Facilitator at Boone Park.

The NLRSD Parent-Student Handbook gives information on complaints, problem solving and appeal procedure. Responsible Party: Steve Orobona, Micheal Stone

**7. How will your school engage parents in the evaluation of your parental involvement efforts?**

A Parent Volunteer Survey is included in our student handbook that the parents use to indicate how they wish to be involved at school. The teachers retain copies of the survey and a notebook is maintained in the library as well. Mrs. Wallace and Mrs. Ballard are the contacts. You may contact them at 501-340-5160.

**8. How will your school use the parent interest surveys to select, plan and implement parental involvement activities that will be offered throughout the year?**

The Parent Involvement Committee selects the 3 most requested activities on the interest surveys and incorporates them into our 2nd Cup of Coffee parent meetings. This year, the three most requested activities were how parents can help their child at home, how to help a child who has fallen behind and child safety. Each topic has been included in our planning of our parent meetings. Mrs. Ballard is the contact, you may contact her at 501-340-5160.

**9. When will your school plan the Annual Title I Meeting that must be conducted separately?**

The school will conduct a Title I annual meeting separately from all other meetings at the beginning of the school year. The principal will present all necessary information at that time. This year's meeting was held on September 25, 2018 at 5:30 pm. Mr. Orobona is the contact person and you may call him at 501-340-5160.