## Johnson Elementary 2023-2024 Parent and Family Engagement Policy

Johnson Elementary is a safe and supportive environment where we focus on the whole child as together, we learn as a family. We commit to:

- **Provide** an atmosphere that fosters growth and inclusion of ALL students.
- Partner with our school community.
- **Practice** Johnson heart wherever we go.

Our Parent and Family Engagement Policy was written with parent, teacher, and community input and is in accordance with the Every Student Succeeds Act (ESSA), PL 114-95, Section 1116(b & c).

- I. Johnson Elementary involves parents in the joint review and revision of the Parent Engagement Plan, Home School Compact and Campus Improvement Plan. Parents have the opportunity to give feedback and suggestions on the Parent Engagement Plan and Campus Improvement Plan at the following opportunities. These opportunities include:
  - a. Summer & spring meetings
  - b. Yearly parent surveys (district provided)

The English and Spanish version of the PFE will be posted on the campus website as well as be available at in the front kiosk.

- II. Johnson Elementary hosts an annual meeting, at a variety of times, in which all parents/families are invited to learn about the campus' PFE Policy, and ways on how to get and stay involved. Families are invited and encouraged to attend the following events:
  - a. Meet the Principals Informational
  - b. Fall & Spring Parent Orientation
- III. Johnson Elementary provides parents with a description and explanation of the State's academic standards, the current curriculum, the forms of State and local academic assessments used to measure progress, and the expected student proficiency levels. Parents are invited and encouraged to attend the following events:
  - a. Annual Title 1 Meeting (fall semester)
  - b. Fall Open House/Parent Orientation
  - c. Bi-annual parent conferences with classroom teacher
  - d. Spring Open House
- IV. Johnson Elementary provides parents the opportunity to meet regularly to offer suggestions and to participate, as appropriate, in decisions relating to the education of their children. Teachers and staff will respond to the

provided suggestions as soon as possible to promote the partnership between parents and the school.

- V. Johnson Elementary provides parents and families with materials and training, as needed, to work with their children to improve academic achievement.
  - a. Fall Open House/Parent Orientation
  - b. Family Academic Night
  - c. Bi-annual parent conferences
  - d. Home School Compact
  - e. Spring Open House
- VI. Johnson Elementary educates teachers and staff yearly before the first day of instruction. This training focuses on the value and utilization of parents' and families' contributions; how to reach out to, communicate with, and work with parents and families as equal partners; implement and coordinate parental programs; and build ties between families and the school.
- VII. Johnson Elementary ensures that information related to school and parent/family programs, meetings, and other activities is sent to the parents/families in a timely manner, as well as, in a format and language they can understand.
  - a. Weekly newsletters
  - b. Tuesday folders
  - c. Johnson website and Facebook page
  - d. Event flyers (posted on BISD website)
  - e. Remind App
  - f. Class DoJo
  - g. PTO Meetings
  - h. Virtual Meetings via Google Hangout
  - i. Phone calls through Parent Link
- VIII. Johnson Elementary arranges school meetings at a variety of times, conducts phone conferences both in person and virtually (via Google Hangout) between teachers and other educators with parents and families who are unable to attend at school, in order to maximize parental involvement and participation.

The Johnson Elementary Parent and Family Engagement Policy was jointly reviewed, revised and approved on with parents at the Campus Needs Assessment Committee on: Thursday, June  $8^{th} @ 2:00 \text{ pm}.$ 

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