# DENISON PUBLIC SCHOOL TITLE I SITE PARENT INVOLVEMENT POLICY

The following policy of the Denison School concerning teacher and parent involvement in the Title I program has been adopted. The intent of this policy is to strengthen the partnership between the school and parents.

### Denison Public Schools agrees to implement the following statutory requirements:

The district will have activities and procedures for the involvement of parents in all Title I programs. Those programs, activities and procedures will be planned and operated with the meaningful consultation with parent of participating children.

The district will work with its schools to ensure that the required parental involvement policies and requirements are met and that the district parent compacts have been signed.

The district and its Title I program schools 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 required school reports in an understandable and uniform format and, including alternative formats upon request, and, to the extent practicable, in a language parents understand.

If the plan for Title I, Part A, is not satisfactory to parents of participating children, the district will submit any parent comments to the State Department of Education.

The district and Title I school sites will implement programs, activities and procedures in accordance with the following definition:

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

- that parents play an integral and meaningful role in assisting their child's learning;
- that parents are encouraged to be actively involved in their child's education at school; and
- 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.

#### Implementation of Title I Parental Involvement Policy

1. Denison Public School will take the following actions to involve parents in the joint development of the Title I Parent Involvement Policy:

The Title I Committee (which includes parents) will review the policy at the site and district level. Suggestions and/or concerns will be communicated to Administration for possible revisions. The Title I parental involvement policy will be reviewed at the annual District Title I Committee Meeting. The policy will be posted on the district web site with information on how to contact Administration regarding suggestions.

2. Denison Public School will take the following actions to involve parents in the process of Title I school review and improvement:

Parents will serve on applicable site and district committees. District and school report cards will be distributed to each family through the district web site and upon request in the Administrative office. Parents will receive individual student assessment reports regarding their child's mastery of student achievement mandates.

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3. Denison Public School will coordinate and integrate parental involvement strategies under the following programs:

Parent Teacher Organization (PTO) and the 4-Year Old Program.

4. Denison Public School will schedule a meeting annually to review and evaluate the parent involvement policy. Parent representatives will be encouraged to attend.

5. Denison Public School will build the school's and parent's capacity for strong parental involvement, in order to ensure effective involvement of parents and to support partnership among school, parents, and community to improve student academic achievement, through the following activities specifically described below:

- a. The district will with the assistance of its Title I program, provide assistance to parents of children served by the school district or school as appropriate, in understanding topics such as the following:
  - Oklahoma State academic content standards
  - Oklahoma State student academic achievement standards
  - Oklahoma state and local academic assessments, including alternative assessments
  - Title I, Part A requirements
  - How to monitor their child's progress
  - · How to work with educators
  - This assistance may be provided through the distribution of notes, during scheduled parent conferences, distribution of brochures, and district web site.
  - All professional development opportunities will be open to parents and community members. Notes and web site notices will encourage parent/community participation.
- b. The district will, with the assistance of its Title I program, provide materials and training to help parents work with their children to improve their children's academic achievement, such as literacy training, web-based math/reading remediation and acceleration programs, and training to foster parental involvement.
- c. The district will, with the assistance of its school and parents, educate teachers, pupil services personnel, and other staff, in how to reach out to, communicate with, and work with parents as equal partners, in the value and in how to implement and coordinate parent programs and build ties between parents and schools.
- d. The district will ensure that information related to the school and parent-programs, meetings, and other activities, is sent to the 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.

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