

School Parent and Family Engagement Plan

School Name: North Little Rock Middle School 7/8 Campus

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1: Jointly Developed

(Describe/List how parents will be involved in the development of the school parent and family engagement policy and how parents will be involved in the planning, review, and improvement of parent and family engagement programs.)

North Little Rock Middle School 7/8 Campus will encourage parents in decision making about the allocation of its Title I, Part A funds for parental involvement. Parents are also on our Leadership team. Contact Principal, Takecia Campbell at (501)771-8200 for further information.

NLRMS 7/8 Campus enables the formation of a Parent Teacher Association that fosters parental and community involvement in the school. Contact Takecia Campbell at (501)771-8200 for further information.

Our Title I meeting will be held September 10th in the mini-auditorium. Information was sent out through Facebook, our grade level emails and the parent listserv.

2: Annual Title I Meeting

(Describe/List when (provide the month/year or month/day/year) the school will hold the Annual Title I meeting to inform parents of the requirements of Title I and the school's participation as well as the parents' rights to be involved. The Annual Title I meeting should not be used to ask for parent input, but provided as an opportunity

to disseminate information and distribute copies of the revised parent and family engagement policy.)

The Annual Title I Meeting will be held in the first semester of the 2019-2020 school year. The 2019-2020 Title 1 Meeting will be held September 10, 2019 at 6:15pm. The location is North Little Rock Middle School, Mini Auditorium. Parents will be notified in a timely manner about Title I, Part A. meeting. At the meeting we will discuss programs that include a description and explanation of the school's curriculum, the forms of academic assessment used to measure the student's progress, and the proficiency levels students are expected to meet. Contact Principal, Takecia Campbell at (501)771-8200 for further information.

3: Communications

(Describe/List how the parent and family engagement policy will be distributed to parents and how the school is going to communicate with parents including information about how the school will provide information related to school and parent programs, meetings, and other activities to parents in a format, to the extent practicable, and in a language that parents can understand.)

North Little Rock Middle School 7/8 Campus recognizes communication between home and school should be regular, two-way, and meaningful. The school's technology designee is responsible for posting and maintaining the information on the website and social media account(s). Information posted may include, but is not limited to the following: testing dates, staff listing and contact information, media center announcements, athletic dates and information, school news, school activities, and a calendar of events that can be accessed through our website and FaceBook page. For eSchool information, contact Tamika Prosper at 501-771-8200.

The school also uses the district's spokesperson, to post information in the form of public service announcements. Information is sent to parents related to school events, meetings, scheduled conferences, and other activities in a practical format and in the child's native language where applicable via eSchool, Facebook, Twitter, NLRMS 7/8 Campus news list serve and per Mrs. Campbell's "Parent Listserv."

Parents will be notified at the September Parent Teacher Conferences that a copy of the Parent & Family Engagement Plan is available or that they may find it on the district website.

4: School-Parent Compact

(Describe/List the process the schools will follow to jointly develop with parents a school-parent compact.)

The School-Parent Compact which is made up of input from students, parents, teachers, administrators will be distributed through classes. North Little Rock Middle School 7/8 Campus will use the collected data from parent interest surveys to determine effective communication strategies, engagement of parents in activities to support student academic growth, what activities and resources they would like to see next year, and to determine specific parental needs. The survey will also be evaluated to determine satisfaction with the program and the school's efforts to increase parental involvement. Contact Principal, Takecia Campbell or Parental Involvement Facilitator, Ar'Jillian Gilmer at (501)771-8200 for further information.

5: Reservation of Funds

(If the district receives more than \$500,000 in Title I allocation, then it must reserve 1 percent for parent and family engagement activities. A minimum of 90% of that 1% must go to the schools, with priority given to high-need schools. If the school is allocated a percentage of the 1 percent, describe/list how the school will share with parents the budget for parent and family engagement activities and programs and how parents will be involved in providing input into how the funds are used.)

The school, North Little Rock Middle School 7/8 Campus will share with parents the budget for parent and family engagement activities and programs at the annual Title 1 meeting and upon request to the building principal, Takecia Campbell. Parents will be involved in how the Title 1 funds are used through parent interest surveys.

6: Coordination of Services

(Describe/List how the district and/or school will coordinate with other organizations, businesses, and community partners to provide additional supports and resources to families.)

The North Little Rock Middle School 7/8 Campus will coordinate with other organizations, businesses, and community partners to provide additional supports and resources to families by inviting said stakeholders into our building to participate in various activities such as pep rallies, academic and behavior incentives, art performances, etc. The North Little

Rock Middle School 7/8 Campus will create partnerships with local businesses and organizations that promote academic and societal success for students and families. Currently, the North Little Rock Middle School 7/8 Campus works closely with several organizations that are of help in various ways to our students and families.

7: Building Capacity of Parents

(Describe/List activities, such as workshops, conferences, classes, online resources, Academic Parent-Teacher Team meetings, and any equipment or other materials that may be necessary to support parents in helping their student's academic success.)

Parent/Teacher conferences are scheduled in the fall for September 19, 2019 from 12 p.m. until 7 p.m. Spring conferences will be held February 17, 2020 for the 2019-2020 school year.

North Little Rock Middle School 7/8 Campus also schedules conferences at any time at the request of parents. Many times are available to meet the needs of all families. Topics discussed are grades, grade reports on eSchool, behavior of student, school involvement opportunities, Smart Core requirements, academic schedules, and parental concerns. For further information, contact Principal Takecia Campbell at 501-771-8200.

North Little Rock Middle School will host various Parent Nights focused on sharing information about curriculum and helping parents better understand how to help their children succeed.

Arkansas Department of Education has implemented a resource with helpful information about how and why each stakeholder plays a part in the education of our students. Parents and families are encouraged to visit www.arkansased.gov for more information about the Toolkit.

Parent Involvement meetings are scheduled for September 2019 and February 2020 for the 2019-2020 school year. Other dates will be added as needed. These meetings are in the evening to meet the needs of all committee members. For further information, contact Ar'Jillian Gilmer at 501-771-8200 or gilmera@nlrsd.org.

8: Building Capacity of School Staff

(Describe/List activities such as workshops, conferences, trainings, webinars, online

resources, and Academic Parent-Teacher Team meetings that will be used with school staff to build their capacity to work with parents as equal partners. Describe/List methods of parents' assistance for building staff capacity. Describe/List actions the school will take to provide other reasonable support for parent and family engagement activities.)

The Parent Involvement Facilitator and the Parent Engagement Professional will participate in training such as, NWAR Child Care Aware to learn ways to better serve our students and families. Staff of the North Little Rock Middle School 7/8 Campus regularly participate in professional development designed to increase overall effectiveness of communication and engagement with families. Staff will participate in all professional development required by the Arkansas Department of Education, North Little Rock School District, and North Little Rock Middle School 7/8 Campus. Staff will also participate in voluntary professional development throughout the 2019-2020 school year that will assist in this endeavor. The school will support parent and family engagement activities by promoting said activities via the listserv, social media, and print materials. The school will provide resources for engagement activities.

9: Building Capacity - Discretionary

The school parent and family engagement policy/plan may include additional sections describing other discretionary activities that the school, in meaningful consultation with its parents, chooses to undertake to build capacity.