

Mountain View School District

**Mountain View High School
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Mountain View High School Parental Involvement Plan

2017-2018

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

- Parents can access their child's grades using a username and password they received at the beginning of the school year to access the HAC component of e-school.
- Parents may also use email to communicate with members of the school staff. Teachers will routinely contact parents on an individual basis to communicate about their child's progress. This will be through written communication, e-mails, phone calls, or face-to-face conversation.
- Parents may also use any available tool to communicate with members of the school staff.
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- The school will provide parents mid-term reports (IPR's) every 4.5 weeks with information regarding their child's academic progress and upcoming classroom and school events.
- The school will provide to parents reports/report cards every 9 weeks with information regarding their child's academic progress. The school will also post notices in school facilities and public buildings, and provide information for local newspapers and radio stations about parent workshops and meetings.
- The school will use the student handbook, school web site, and parent orientation meetings to inform parents about the School wide Title I Plan.
- Alert Now- Blackboard Phone notification system communicates to contact parents about upcoming events, notices, and reminders.
- An online Event Calendar is available on the school website with upcoming events, meetings, school pictures, testing schedules, and student activities.

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. (Must include the 2 state mandated parent/teacher conferences each year.)

- The meetings will be at various times during the day or evening to better accommodate parents. In addition to the parent/teacher conferences held at the end of the first and third nine weeks, a literacy night will be in the fall, and a math night will be in the spring.
- Teachers will hold conferences individually with parents of children in their classrooms.
- Parents will be given a summary of the student's test scores and an explanation of the Interventions that the teachers are using to assist the child in reaching achievement goals. Parents will be encouraged to contribute in the discussion of how they can support these efforts.
- Parents can request to have an explanation of homework requirements and grading procedures.
- The school will encourage parents in the following types of roles and activities to increase their involvement and support for student learning:

Mountain View Parent Resource Center (PIE Center)

EZ School Pay- Student Cafeteria Information Page including Student Balance, Deposits and Meals

Library Volunteer and Tutoring

Special Olympics

Envirothon

Quiz Bowl

FFA Annual Dinner and Auction

Awards day presentation

Open House

Band and Choir concerts

Veteran's Day Assembly

Beta Club Service Projects
BIG Time (Big Instructional Gains)
Financial Aid Workshops for Senior's and Parents
College Recruiter Visits for Senior's and Parents

3. How will your school provide information to parents about volunteer opportunities (must include state mandated parent training)?

- The school will provide a list of volunteer opportunities and solicit ideas for other types of volunteer efforts during orientation of parents. Teachers will explain the requirements to parents and encourage them to become involved in the school. Brief training sessions will provide parents and community members with the information they need to participate as school volunteers in order to put them at ease and make the experience pleasant and successful.
- Provide instruction to a parent on how to incorporate developmentally appropriate learning activities in the home environment, including without limitation: role play and demonstration by trained volunteer, the use of and access to the Department of Education website tools for parents, assistance with nutritional meal planning and preparation and other strategies or curricula developed or acquired by the school district for at-home parental instruction approved by the Department of Education.
- The State Board of Education's Standards for Accreditation of Arkansas Public Schools and school Districts shall require no fewer than two (2) hours of professional development for teachers designed to enhance the understand of effective parental involvement strategies. No fewer than three (3) hours of professional development for administrators designed to enhance understanding of effective parent involvement strategies and the importance of administrative leadership in setting expectations and creating a climate conducive to parental participation.

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

- School staff, parents, and students will develop a school-parent-student compact. This compact will outline how parents, school staff, and students share the responsibility for improving student academic achievement and the means by which the school and parents will build and develop a partnership to help children achieve the state's high academic standards. All stakeholders will sign the compact.

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 will involve parents on school improvement planning committees so that both school staff and parents contribute to this process in a meaningful way. The school will ask parents to serve on curricular and instructional review committees.
- The school will engage parents in decision making about the allocation of its Title I, Part A funds for parental involvement.

- To take advantage of community resources, the school shall consider recruiting alumni from the school to create an alumni advisory commission to provide advice and guidance for school improvement.
- The school shall enable the formation of a Parent Teacher Association or organization that will foster parental and community involvement within the school.

6. How will your school provide resources for parents?

- Parents may check out materials, use the computer to check grades, and visit educational Web sites. Parents will be encouraged to view the Title I Plan located in the parent resource center or media center. A suggestion sheet will also be available for parental input. The school will open the resource center at hours that are convenient to parents.
- The school will distributed Informational packets each year that includes a copy of the school's parental involvement plan, survey for volunteer interests, recommended roles for parents/ teachers/students and school, suggestions of ways parents can become involved in their child's education, parental involvement activities planned for the current school year and information about the system that will be used to allow parents and teachers to communicate (notes, phone calls, e-mail...).
- To promote and support responsible parenting, the school shall, as funds are available:
- Purchase parenting books, magazines, and other informative materials regarding responsible parenting through the school library, advertise the current selection, and give parents the opportunity to borrow the materials for review. Create a parent center.
- Include in the school's policy handbook the school's process for resolving parental concerns, including how to define a problem, whom to approach first, and how to develop solutions.
- The principal shall designate (1) certified staff member who is willing to serve as a parent facilitator.