

Lee High School Parent and Family Engagement Plan

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Expectations and Objectives

It is the goal of the family engagement committee to support the school in the implementation and creation of opportunities for academic and personal success to ensure that all students possess 21st Century Competencies. Through parent and community participation, the faculty and staff of Lee High School will work in collaboration with parents, community members, and stakeholders to create a school environment of trust, respect, cooperation and success for all students and to involve all parents and guardians in educating their children. It is our belief that a child's educational success is a shared responsibility of the school and family of which the school, parents, and the community must work together in a committed partnership to provide support and provide a positive environment that ensures student growth and success.

Jointly Developed

Lee Senior High School (LHS) will take the following actions to involve parents and families in the joint development and joint agreement of its Parent and Family Engagement Plan:

*The Plan will be communicated by mailing to parents, posting on the district's website and through Sugar Ditch's Facebook page, at Parent Meetings and the Annual Title 1 Meeting.

LHS encourages parents to make suggestions and to participate in decision making for their children's education through letters, surveys, face-to-face visits, text messaging.

LHS will incorporate the School-Parent Compact as a component of its School Parent and Family Engagement Plan.

Annual Title I Meeting

Lee High School will hold an Annual Title I Meeting that must be conducted separately. (It cannot be held in conjunction with any other meetings or activities.)

The school will conduct an Annual Title I Meeting for parents of the students who participate in the Title I, Part A Program- October, 2019. (Rafael Smith, Principal)

The school will hold their Annual Title I Meeting separate from any other meetings or activities to ensure that they have ample time to provide a description/explanation of school curriculum, information on forms of academic assessments used to measure student progress, and information on proficiency level students are expected to meet. (Rafael Smith, Principal)

The agenda, sign-in sheet and the minutes for the Annual Title I Meeting will be generated separate from any other events and kept on file. (Rafael Smith, Principal)

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Communications

Parents will be informed of the Family Engagement Policy through informational packets sent home with the student, on the school's website, on Sugar Ditch's facebook page, through public service announcements, public presentations (churches, community meetings, etc.), at the Title 1 Annual Meeting and passed out in the school's offices. The plan will also be distributed at the school's Parent Meetings.

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School-Parent Compact

Understanding that the student's well being is the goal of parents and LHS and with the realization that parents and LHS must partner to achieve that goal, at the first parent meeting ideas that each group can address will be discussed. These ideas or commitments will be developed by LHS in a document that parents and students will commit to and sign. The ideas will be achievable and will be reviewed periodically by parents, students and LHS for evaluation purposes. From this information LHS staff will decide what the commitments will be for staff.

Issues not identified in the district goals will be allowed for inclusion in the Parent-Compact.

Reservation Of Funds

The Lee County School District will allocate a percentage of the 1% set-aside for parent and family engagement activities to Lee High School. LHS will involve parents and family members of children in the decision about how the funds will be spent. This will be an agenda item at the parent and family engagement committee meetings and at the Annual Title I meeting in October, 2019.

Coordination of Services

LHS will coordinate with other organizations, businesses and community partners to provide additional support and resources to families:

- A. The Lee County Sheriff Department has resources that address bullying and will present at parent meetings. The Sheriff Department also performs outreach that addresses conflict resolution to parents and families.
- B. The Men of Action Organization, a local nonprofit, provides school supplies, mentoring and serve as chaperones at school activities.
- C. The Marianna Rotary Club donates school supplies and clothing for needy students and families.
- D. The LCSD is fortunate in being named one of only five ForwARd Communities in the state. ForwARd Arkansas sponsors Back-to-School affairs, uses its contacts to garner funding for LHS activities, shares statewide and local school data for planning purposes.

E. Partner with the local Literacy Council to offer literacy services to interested parents.

Building Capacity of Parents

LHS will support parents in helping their students have academic success. LHS will:

- A. Invite parents to attend staff Parent Involvement Conferences and Meetings.
- B. Make available on site for parents the use of computers for internet services.
- C. Invite parents to sit in on classrooms during the school day to encourage their children.
- D. Provide speakers at Parent Meetings who will address post high school graduation opportunities such as colleges, Workforce, the military, etc.

Building Capacity of School Staff

Staff will attend conferences, workshops, and staff meetings to keep abreast of Parent Engagement issues. Parents will be a key component in reviewing and evaluating the plan and actions and offer **suggestions as to what could be done differently**

Building Capacity - Discretionary

N/A