

Arkansas

**District Parent and Family Engagement Plan**

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**School Year**  
2017-2018

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**Superintendent**  
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Cindy Barton  
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**Parent and Family Engagement Committee Members**  
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Howard

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High School Director

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Jessi

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Forster

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K-8 Director

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John

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CEO

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DuPriest

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Parent Facilitator K-8

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Krista

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DuPriest

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Larry

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**Position**  
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Meghan

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Thompson

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**Position**  
Title I Coordinator-High School

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**Goal 1: How will the LEA foster effective parent and family engagement strategies and support partnerships among school, parents, and the community to improve student achievement?**



Develop and disseminate district parental involvement policy. This will be disseminated through teacher and principal newsletters.

Conduct an annual meeting in the spring to update policy for next year's Title I, Part A program. eStem will hold a Title I parent night to educate parents and update policy for the Title I program for the 2017-2018 school year. Invitations will be sent out to all Title I parents and students. Person Responsible-Mary Muller-Title I Coordinator K-6 Elementary, Teri Harrah- Title I Coordinator Jr. High, Meghan Thompson Title I Coordinator High School

Coordinate parental involvement activities with those of other programs such as Head Start program, Reading First program, Early Reading First program, Even Start program, Parents as Teachers program and Home Instruction Program for Preschool Youngsters and State-run preschool programs. By coordinating with others programs similar to these listed, we will provide early intervention strategies for students not only at school but also for parents to work on with their children at home as well. Person Responsible-Jarrold -Parent Involvement Facilitator.

Establish parental involvement contact person at each of the Title I, Part A schools. The Parent Facilitator for the elementary school is Mary Muller, Junior High-Teri Harrah, and High School is Meghan Thompson.

Conduct an annual review of the effectiveness of the parental involvement policy. At the end of each school year, we will conduct surveys and meetings with parents to discuss the success of our parent involvement policy. Based on those results, we will make changes for next year's policy. Person Responsible- Jarrod DuPriest-Parent Facilitator K-8; Krista DuPriest-Parent Facilitator High School

Develop district parental involvement committee to create a parental involvement policy and implement parental involvement activities as well as disseminate information to the community to promote parental involvement in the Title I, Part A schools. Parents from all three schools will serve on a parent involvement committee to discuss ways to promote parent involvement, such as activities, parent nights, and other informational nights. This committee will also provide parents with information as needed. Person Responsible- Jarrod DuPriest-Parent Involvement Facilitator K-8; Krista DuPriest- Parent Facilitator High School

Involve parents in the process of school review and improvement under Section 1116 of NCLB. Parents will serve on the committee to help review and make changes to our School Improvement Plan. Jessi Forster-Director Elementary; Jarrod DuPriest-Junior High Director, Johnecia Howard-Director High School

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**Goal 2: How will the district provide coordination, technical assistance, and other support necessary to assist participating schools in planning and implementing effective parental engagement?**

**Hint:**

Conduct ongoing site visits to observe parental involvement practices. Administrators and parent coordinators will visit and meet with individuals from other campuses to discuss ways to improve parental involvement practices. They will bring their findings back to be discussed with the parental involvement committee. Person Responsible- Mary Muller Parent Involvement Facilitator-Elementary, Teri Harrah-Parent Involvement Facilitator Junior High, Meghan Thompson-Parent Involvement Facilitator High School

Enhance the awareness and skills of teachers, pupil service personnel, principals, and staff in reaching out to, communicating with, and working with parents as equal partners. Parent coordinators will provide guidelines and training to all staff on how to communicate. Person Responsible- Mary Muller Parent Involvement Facilitator-Elementary, Teri Harrah-Parent Involvement Facilitator Junior High, Meghan Thompson-Parent Involvement Facilitator High School

Ensure, to the extent possible, that information is sent home in a language and form parents can understand. All documents sent home or emailed will be available for translation as needed. Our ESL coordinator will also be available should parents need a translator or need information translated. Person Responsible- Mary Muller Parent Involvement Facilitator-Elementary, Teri Harrah-Parent Involvement Facilitator Junior High, Meghan Thompson-Parent Involvement Facilitator High School

Monitor each Title I, Part A school to ensure that each school performs the following tasks: Develop parental

involvement policy, Offer flexible meeting times, Provide information to parents about the school's program, include parent information guide, Develop and use the School-Parent Compact. Person Responsible- Mary Muller Parent Involvement Facilitator-Elementary, Teri Harrah-Parent Involvement Facilitator Junior High, Meghan Thompson-Parent Involvement Facilitator High School

Provide training for parents in working with their child to improve academic achievement, to include training on the phone notification system in order to have real-time access to their child's attendance and achievement. Training on HAC has been provided to parents as well as in a document sent home to aid parents in checking their child's attendance and achievement. Additionally, the elementary, Jr. High and HS have appointed specific individuals who can be contacted in case extra help is needed. Person Responsible-Mary Muller Parent Involvement Facilitator Elementary, Teri Harrah-Parent Involvement Facilitator Junior High, Meghan Thompson-Parent Involvement Facilitator High School

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**Goal 3: How will the district build the school's capacity for strong parental engagement?**



Provide information to participating parents in such areas as national, state, and local education goals, including parents' rights as defined in Title I, Part A. This information will be provided at Title I parent night and will be available to parents through our parent coordinator or parent resource center throughout the year. Person Responsible-Jessi Forster-Director Elementary; Jarrod DuPriest-Junior High Director, Johnecia Howard-Director High School

Assist in the development of parent engagement groups at each school. The elementary, JHS, and HS all have parent organizations that meet to discuss ways to promote more parent involvement and other ways to help the schools. Person Responsible-Jessi Forster-Director Elementary; Jarrod DuPriest-Junior High Director, Johnecia Howard-Director High School

Involve parents through an annual survey to improve school effectiveness. Surveys will be conducted at the end of each school year to gauge the effectiveness of the school and parental involvement. Person Responsible-Jessi Forster-Director Elementary; Jarrod DuPriest-Junior High Director, Johnecia Howard-Director High School

Provide any reasonable support for parental involvement at the request of participating Title I, Part A schools. Both parent coordinators will be available to parents for support any time. Person Responsible-Jessi Forster-Director Elementary; Jarrod DuPriest-Junior High Director, Johnecia Howard-Director High School

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**Goal 4: How will the district conduct, with the involvement of parents, ongoing evaluation of the content and effectiveness of the parent and family engagement plan as it relates to strategies for increasing parental participation and identifying barriers to greater participation?**



Survey parents annually, including questions to identify barriers to parental involvement. Surveys will be conducted at the end of each school year to gauge effectiveness of the school and parental involvement plan. Person Responsible- Jessi Forster-Director Elementary; Jarrod DuPriest-Junior High Director, Johnecia Howard-Director High School

Provide an opportunity for the parents to assist in the development of the evaluation procedures, including analysis of data collected. This opportunities will be discussed during parental involvement committee meetings and communicated through our parent organizations. Person Responsible- Mary Muller Parent Involvement Facilitator-Elementary, Teri Harrah-Parent Involvement Facilitator Junior High, Meghan Thompson-Parent Involvement Facilitator High School

Use finding from evaluation process to:

-Make recommendations to each participating school for parental involvement policy revision.

-Provide suggestions for designing school improvement policies, as they relate to parental involvement.

Based on the survey results and other information gathered from parent nights, email communication, and parent conferences, suggestions will be made to make our process as effective as possible. Person Responsible- Mary Muller Parent Involvement Facilitator-Elementary, Teri Harrah-Parent Involvement Facilitator Junior High, Meghan Thompson-Parent Involvement Facilitator High School

Develop and disseminate an annual parent activity evaluation report to share with parents, staff and the community. Based on survey results and other data gathered from the evaluation process, a report will be compiled and available to parents. Person Responsible-Jessi Forster-Director Elementary; Jarrod DuPriest-Junior High Director, Johnecia Howard-Director High School

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**Goal 5: How will the district involve parents in the joint development of the district Title I Application under section 1112 (ACSIP)?**

**Hint**

Recruit parents to serve on district ACSIP committee to develop the Title I Application. Different parents each year will be invited to serve on our ACSIP committee and be a part of making our school improvement plan as well as the Title I application. Person Responsible-Jessi Forster-Director Elementary; Jarrod DuPriest-Junior High Director, Johnecia Howard-Director High School

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Your 2016-2017 district Parental Involvement Plan has been successfully update. All of the required components are included in your plan. No revisions are needed. It can be posted to your website. A copy of the review will be e-mailed to Ms. Cindy Barton. Please retain a copy of that review along with a copy of your 2016-2017 Parental Involvement Plan in your parental involvement documentation files. Thank you for your promptness and the effort that is evident in the completion of this plan. Best regards, Dr. Mallette