

## COMMUNITY RELATIONS

### Title 1 Parent Involvement

The board recognizes that parent involvement contributes to the achievement of academic standards by students participating in district programs. The board views the education of students as a cooperative effort among school, parents and community. The board expects that its schools will carry out programs, activities and procedures in accordance with the statutory definition of parental involvement. Parental involvement means the participation of parents in regular two-way, and meaningful communication involving student academic learning and other school activities, including ensuring that parents:

- A. Play an integral role in assisting their child's learning.
- B. Are encouraged to be actively involved in their child's education at school.
- C. 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.

The board of directors adopts as part of this policy the following guidance for parent involvement. The district shall:

- A. Put into operation programs, activities and procedures for the involvement of parents in all of its Title 1 schools consistent with federal laws. Those programs, activities and procedures will be planned and operated with meaningful consultation with parents of participating children.
- B. Work with its schools to ensure that the required school-level parental involvement policies meet with the requirements of federal law, including a school parent compact.
- C. To the extent practicable, provide full opportunities for the participation of parents with limited English proficiency, parents with disabilities, and parents of migratory children, including providing information and school reports in an understandable and uniform format in a language parents understand, including alternative formats upon request.
- D. Involve the parents of children served in Title 1, Part A schools in decisions about how the 1% of Title 1, Part A funds reserved for parental involvement is spent.

Legal Reference: 20 U.S.C. 1118  
Management Resources: *Policy News*, August 2003      No Child Left Behind Update  
*Policy News*, June 2005      Title 1 Parental Involvement Policy

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