

Alvord Unified School District Promenade Elementary School Parental Involvement Policy 2023-2025



PART I. GENERAL EXPECTATIONS

Promenade Elementary School's parent involvement policy is based on the California State Board of Education policy, which was established to enhance parent involvement in schools (SBE, 1994). The SBE listed six priorities (or types) of effective parent involvement programs: communication, parenting, student learning, volunteering, school decision-making and advocacy, and collaboration with community. These priorities provide a framework of shared responsibility between families and schools. Our school recognizes them as standards toward a committed and coordinated effort to empower parents to work cooperatively as full partners in working toward our mission of ensuring that each student will master or exceed state academic standards, while developing academic and life skills.

Promenade Elementary agrees to implement the following statutory requirements:

- The school will jointly develop with parents, distribute to parents of participating children, a School Parental Involvement Policy that the school and parents of participating children agree on.
- The school will notify parents about the School Parental Involvement Policy in an understandable and uniform format and, to the extent practical, will distribute this policy to parents in a language the parents can understand.
- The school will make the School Parental Involvement Policy available to the local community.
- The school will provide accessibility and opportunities for parents with limited English proficiency, parents with disabilities, and parents of migratory students.
- The school will periodically update the School Parental Involvement Policy to meet the changing needs of parents and the school.
- The school will adopt the school's school-parent compact as a component of its School Parental Involvement Policy.
- The school agrees to be governed by the following statutory definition of parental involvement, and will carry out programs, activities and procedures in accordance with this definition:

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 play an integral role in assisting their child's learning;
- o That parents are encouraged to be actively involved in their child's education at school;
- o That parents 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;
- o The carrying out of other activities, such as those described in section 1118 of the ESEA.

PART II. DESCRIPTION OF HOW THE SCHOOL WILL IMPLEMENT REQUIRED SCHOOL PARENTAL INVOLVEMENT POLICY COMPONENTS

- 1. Promenade Elementary School will take the following actions to involve parents in the joint development and joint agreement of its School Parental Involvement Policy and its school wide plan, if applicable, in an organized, ongoing, and timely way under section 1118(b) of the ESEA:
 - Input from parents at School Site Council (SSC), English Language Advisory Council (ELAC), and additional parent meetings

- School-Parent Compact (Title 1 Compact)
- Parent Square—Parent Phone Messages
- Input from Leadership Team/Grade Levels
- Review with parents at Annual Title 1 meeting
- 2. Promenade Elementary School will take the following actions to distribute to parents of participating children and the local community, the School Parental Involvement Policy:
 - Policy will be included with registration materials
 - Policy will be reviewed at Annual Title 1 meeting
 - Copies of the policy will be available in the main office
- 3. Promenade Elementary School will update periodically its School Parental Involvement Policy to meet the changing needs of parents and the school:
 - The Parent Involvement Policy will be revised every other year by administration with input from stakeholders, and approved by SSC.
 - School academic achievement, parental concerns, and safety issues will assist in revising the Parent Involvement Policy
- 4. Promenade Elementary School will convene an annual meeting to inform parents of the following:
 - Their school's participation in Title 1
 - About the requirements of Title 1
 - Of their rights to be involved
 - Meetings will be held at various times to accommodate all parents
 - Meeting notices will be sent to all families
 - Translation services will be made available for all written parent notices and meetings
- 5. Promenade Elementary School will hold a flexible number of meetings at varying times and will provide childcare, paid for with Title I fund if these services relate to parental involvement:
 - Child Care will be provided for all meetings as needed
 - In person or virtual meetings and workshops will be held in the morning and evening to accommodate all parents. Information from workshops will be recorded when feasible.
 - Electronic notices will go home with every student (Parent Square, Google Classroom, Class Dojo)
 - Input from parents via SSC, ELAC, Parent Teacher Organization (PTO), and additional parent meetings will be used to plan special events that are of interest to parents and students
- 6. Promenade Elementary School will provide information about Title I programs to parents of participating children in a timely manner:
 - Notice of meetings for SSC and ELAC meetings will be provided a minimum of 72 hours in advance via Parent Square and Dojo
 - ELAC and SSC agendas and minutes in English and Spanish are sent to participating members and posted in the office
 - Results of annual state testing will be available in a timely manner
- 7. Promenade Elementary School will provide to parents of participating children a description and explanation of the curriculum in use at the school, the forms of academic assessment used to measure student progress, and the proficiency levels students are expected to meet during:
 - Parent-Teacher Conferences

- Annual Title 1 Meeting
- SSC, ELAC, and additional parent meetings
- Family Nights
- Parent Involvement Week
- 8. Promenade Elementary School will provide parents of participating children, if requested by parents, opportunities for regular meetings to formulate suggestions and to participate, as appropriate, in decisions relating to the education of their children, and respond to any such suggestions as soon as practicably possible:
 - SSC and ELAC meetings
 - SST and IEP meetings
 - PTO meetings
 - Parent-Teacher Conferences
- 9. Promenade Elementary School will submit to the district any parent comments if the school wide plan under section (1114)(b)(2) is not satisfactory to parents of participating children:
 - School wide plan will be shared with parents, and input will be gathered and considered during SSC and ELAC parent meetings
 - If any parent comments dissatisfaction regarding the school wide plan content, the comments will be forwarded to the appropriate department at the district office
 - All efforts will be made to revise the plan so that it meets with satisfaction of all parents.
- 10. Promenade Elementary School will take the following actions to provide accessibility and opportunities for parents with limited English proficiency, parents with disabilities, and parents of migratory students:
 - Notices/flyers sent home in English and Spanish
 - Parent Square—Messages sent in home language
 - Translation services available for meetings and workshops
 - Family Nights
 - ELAC meetings
 - Parent Involvement Week
 - California Association of Bilingual Education (CABE) Conference
 - Parent Square, Google Classroom, and Class Dojo
 - Childcare will be provided for all meetings as needed

PART III. SHARED RESPONSBILITIES FOR HIGH STUDENT ACADEMIC ACHIEVEMENT

- 1. Promenade Elementary School will build the school's and parent's capacity for strong parental involvement, to ensure effective involvement of parents and to support a partnership among the school involved, parents, and the community to improve student academic achievement, through the following activities specifically described below:
 - Parent workshops at a variety of times
 - Family Nights
 - College and Career Events (Career Day)
 - Parent-Teacher Conferences
 - Parent Square
 - Annual Title 1 Meeting

- CABE Conference
- ELAC, SSC, and PTO Meetings
- Student Success Team (SST) Meetings
- 100 Mile Club
- Parent Involvement Week
- Paw-some Parents Volunteer Program
- 2. The school will incorporate the school-parent compact as a component of its School Parental Involvement Policy:
 - Parent input will be given regarding the school-parent compact
 - The school-parent compact will be electronically signed by all stakeholders as indicated on the compact as part of registration materials
 - Copies of the school-parent compact will be available on the school website and front office
- 3. The school will, with the assistance of its district, provide assistance to parents of children served by the school in understanding topics such as the following: California's academic content standards, the state's student academic achievement standards, the state and local academic assessments including alternate assessments, the requirements of Title I, how to monitor their child's progress, and how to work with educators during:
 - Parent workshops at a variety of times
 - Parent -Teacher Conferences
 - Annual Title 1 Meeting
 - CABE Conference
 - Family Nights
 - Parent Involvement Week
 - ELAC, SSC, and PTO meetings
 - SST and IEP meetings
 - SART meetings
 - Awards ceremonies (Flag Ceremony, Semester Awards, Reclassification Awards)
 - Parent Square, Google Classroom, and Class Dojo
- 4. The school will, with the assistance of its district, provide materials and training to help parents work with their children to improve their children's academic achievement, such as literacy training, healthy lifestyle training, and using technology, as appropriate, to foster parental involvement, by providing information during:
 - SST and IEP meetings
 - SART meetings
 - Parent workshops at a variety of times
 - Family Nights
 - Parent Involvement Week
 - 100 Mile Club
 - Parent-Teacher Conferences
- 5. The school will, with the assistance of its district and parents, educate its teachers, pupil services personnel, principals and other staff, in how to reach out to, communicate with, and work with parents as equal partners, in the value and utility of contributions of parents, and in how to implement and coordinate parent programs and build ties between parents and schools, by:

- Professional Development trainings for teachers and paraprofessionals regarding parent involvement, communication, and partnership
- Professional Learning Community training
- 6. The school will, to the extent feasible and appropriate, coordinate and integrate parental involvement programs and activities with Head Start, Home Instruction Programs for Preschool Youngsters, and public preschool and other programs, and conduct other activities, such as parent resource centers, that encourage and support parents in more fully participating in the education of their children, by offering:
 - TK/K Orientation
 - School library opportunities for parent use
- 7. The school will, to the extent feasible and appropriate, take the following actions to ensure that information related to the school and parent- programs, meetings, and other activities, is sent to the parents of participating children in an understandable and uniform format, including alternative formats upon request, and, to the extent practicable, in a language the parents can understand:
 - All event notices will be available in English and Spanish
 - Announcements will be displayed on the school marquee, school office bulletin boards, monthly newsletters, and school website. Announcements on school office bulletin boards will be written in English and Spanish
 - Flyers and notices will be sent 72 hours before events. Students will be encouraged to remind their parents of upcoming events
 - Parent Square—Parent Phone Messages providing notices in English and Spanish
 - Classroom communications from teachers to parents including class newsletters, emails, Parent Square, Google Classroom, and Class Dojo

PART IV. ADOPTION

Promenade Elementary School's Parental Involvement Policy has been developed jointly with, and agreed on with, parents of children participating in Title I, Part A programs, as evidenced by minutes from the parent council meetings.

This policy was adopted by the Promenade Elementary School site on May 18, 2023, and will be in effect for the period of 2023–25 school years. The school will distribute this policy to all parents of participating Title I, Part A children on or before September 2023. It will be made available to the local community on or before September 2023. Promenade Elementary School's notification to parents of this policy will be in an understandable and uniform format and, to the extent practicable, provide a copy of this policy to parents in a language the parents can understand.

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