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## Kings Creek School

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### **Kings Creek School Parent and Family Engagement Policy for the 2023-24 School Year** *Opportunity for Revision presented on June 10, 2023 - Name of Title 1 Changed to ESSA - Reviewed 8.17.23*

Kings Creek School staff are committed to fostering a collaborative partnership between our school, parents, and families to enhance student achievement and success. This Title I Parent and Family Engagement Policy outlines our approach to engaging parents and families in the education of their children, as required by the Every Student Succeeds Act (ESSA). In order to build and foster this important partnership, our ESSA Parent and Family Engagement Policy includes the following:

- An annual Orientation where parents will meet teachers, learn about ESSA, and be connected with online and in-person opportunities to be involved in their child's education.
- Multiple opportunities for parental input and assistance are given to parents through Parent Advisory Council (PAC) meetings, Parent-Teacher Organization (PTO) meetings, School Improvement Team (SIT) meetings, and other family night events and meetings as publicized.
- Invitations for all public meetings (PAC, PTO, SIT) will be delivered via multiple formats as feasible and appropriate such as the Talking Points, the school's outdoor sign, the school webpage, BlackBoard Connect Message Center (direct parent email, text, and calls), the school newsletter, and the school's Facebook page.
- Parent conference days will be offered at least once annually and will be publicized as indicated above. The conference is a time that the progress of the student will be discussed and explained, as well as the expectations for the grade level, school curriculum, academic assessment, state's academic content and achievement standards, and any other concerns that the teacher or parent may have. Parents may request a parent conference at any time during the school year.
- Parents can participate in the School Improvement Team (SIT), the PTO Executive Board, the PTO general membership, and the Parent Advisory Council (PAC) on a regular and ongoing basis to give feedback, ask questions, and participate in school leadership. Parent surveys will be given out at least once per year so that parent feedback can be received and the data utilized for planning.
- Parents can volunteer to work inside the school tutoring reading and math to support the ESSA plan.
- Parents sign an Accountability Pledge (Compact) to outline how parents, school staff, and students share the responsibility for improvement in learning and for high student academic achievement.
- At least one ESSA Reading Night and one ESSA Math Night are scheduled every academic year to foster growth and increased reading and math success through parental and family engagement.
- Information is sent home via Talking Points with information about the curriculum, student activities, and a message from the principal. Teachers will also send announcements and information through Talking Points regularly throughout the year. This information will also be sent out in multiple formats such as the school website, BBCOM, etc.
- A minimum of two meetings during the school year where parents will have an opportunity to help review, plan for, and make suggestions to improve the Title 1 program, as well as the Parent Involvement Policy, and the School-Parent Accountability Pledge.

The staff at Kings Creek School remains committed to ensuring student success in partnership with parents and the community. Many opportunities to volunteer and offer input will be given to parents each academic year. Parents are encouraged to participate as fully as possible in their child's education and this school. We are a family that strives to provide the safest and best learning environment for our children. Parents are encouraged to direct questions, concerns, and suggestions for improvement to the principal at any time during the school year.

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**QUALITY INSTRUCTION... EVERY CLASSROOM... EVERY DAY = STUDENT ACHIEVEMENT**