



NEIL ARMSTRONG ELEMENTARY

FAMILY INVOLVEMENT PLAN 2019-2020



Family Reading Experience
Hours: Tuesday and Thursday
7:15am and 3:00pm

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Parents are involved in the planning, review and improvement of the Title I Program. This policy has been jointly developed and agreed upon by our staff and parents. It reflects the goals of our Title I School-wide Student Success Plan and the beliefs of our staff, parents, and community members.

Parents are an important part of our Positive Astro Team!

Parent involvement in school can increase student achievement. Students learn that education is valued and that the school works with the family as a team to help bring success!

How Parents Can Participate

- Read to your child daily
- Listen to your child read daily
- Attend the Open House/Annual Meeting
- Attend Parent/Teacher Conferences
- Visit the Family Reading Experience Center
- Participate in field trips, class activities, projects, and our volunteer program
- Participate in workshops such as Passport to Success and informational meetings
- Join any of our school wide committees:
Parent Teacher Organization (PTO)
School Advisory Council (SAC)
- Participate in developing the Student Success Plan

School Communication

Newsletters	Informative Flyers
School/District Website	Report Cards
Interim/Midterm Reports	Conferences
Reports on test results	Student Planners
School Connect phone calls	Student-Led Conferences

Parents may request information regarding the professional qualifications of teachers and staff who work with their child. The State Public Accountability Report and the School Report Card are available in the front office for review and on our school website.

What is Title One?

Title I is the nation's largest federal program for schools. It provides funding for increasing student achievement in schools selected on the basis of the economic level of families in a schools' attendance area.

The purpose of Title I is to:

- help every child receive a high quality education
- build capacity for parent involvement
- provide professional development
- meet the requirements of federal mandates



At Neil Armstrong Elementary School, Title I funds provide for the Family Reading Experience, Title I reading teachers, staff training on parent involvement, and extended learning programs.

Title One Family Resource Center

The Neil Armstrong Family Center is open all day on **Tuesdays and Thursdays from 7:00 a.m. to 3:25 p.m.** For our Spanish-speaking families, we provide Spanish services.

The Title 1 Family Reading Experience is an integral part of the school wide effort to offer educational support to our families. The atmosphere of the center is friendly, fun-filled, comfortable, and informative. Families are encouraged to come to the Center and talk with a professional about their child's reading. A Family Experience Worker is available to answer questions and direct families to agencies in the community that can assist with any current needs. We also have special community guests visit throughout the year.

Parents locate books that are "just right" for their child's current reading level. Having books on the correct level provides the greatest opportunity for reading skills to grow.

In addition to the weekly check-out books, each child receives a "keeper" book for their home library and a pencil each week.



Goals of the Family Resource Center:

- TO INVOLVE PARENTS IN A HOME/SCHOOL PARTNERSHIP FOR IMPROVING STUDENT ACADEMIC ACHIEVEMENT
- TO PROVIDE PARENTS WITH LEARNING STRATEGIES AND WORKSHOPS TO HELP THEIR CHILD SUCCEED
- TO DEVELOP A LOVE OF BOOKS AND ENTHUSIASM FOR READING
- TO INCREASE PARENTS' KNOWLEDGE OF THE READING PROCESS
- TO PROVIDE BOOKS FOR PARENTS TO USE WITH THEIR CHILDREN
- TO DISTRIBUTE CURRENT INFORMATION AND MATERIALS ON EFFECTIVE PARENTING TECHNIQUES

Parent/Teacher Conferences

Conferences are one important way parents and teachers work together as a team. Parents sharing information about their child with the teacher is an important piece of this partnership. Conferencing gives the parent an update about academic progress, as well as gainful insight about how to help their child at home. Conferences are held either before school, after school, or during the teacher's planning time during the school day. A translator is available upon request.

Student-Led Conferences

We also are proud to offer Student-Led Conferences where are students present their current goals and data to their parents. These important conferences help our students evaluate their own progress, have a greater commitment to their school work and learning, build self-confidence, encourage better communication between student and parent, build more effective communication and critical thinking skills, and help each student become more actively involved in their learning.

School and Family Compact

The Title One Family Compact is an agreement between our school community, students, and parents. It is designed to help ensure the success of all students at Neil Armstrong Elementary. This compact describes the roles of all stakeholders in the learning partnership.

All parents will be asked to sign this compact during a conference with their child's teacher.

By signing the compact all agree they are going to work together to improve learning. Parents are involved in developing the compact. This compact is required by the Federal Title I guidelines.

Parent feedback and suggestions:

An annual Parent Survey is given to a random sample of our families at Neil Armstrong.

Our Student Success Plan is available in the front office, our Family Reading Experience Center and on the district website at: www.yourcharlotteschools.net

The District Parent Involvement Policy is available in the office, or visit the District website to view the policy and a link to parent involvement: www.yourcharlotteschools.net

Regional Parent Information & Resource Center (PIRC) www.partnershipcenter.usf.edu
www.fndfl.org