

Township of Union Title I District-School Parental Involvement Policy

December 2019

The Township of Union Schools agrees to implement the following statutory requirements:

- The school district will put into operation programs, activities and procedures for the involvement of parents in all of its schools with Title I, Part A programs, consistent with section 1118 of the Elementary and Secondary Education Act (ESEA). Those programs, activities and procedures will be planned and operated with meaningful consultation with parents of participating children.
- Consistent with section 1118, the school district will work with its schools to ensure that the required school-level parental involvement policies meet the requirements of section 1118(b) of the ESEA, and each include, as a component, a school-parent compact consistent with section 1118(d) of the ESEA.
- The school district will incorporate this district wide parental involvement policy into its LEA plan developed under section 1112 of the ESEA.
- In carrying out the Title I, Part A parental involvement requirements, to the extent practicable, the school district and its schools will 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 required under section 1111 of the ESEA in an understandable and uniform format and, including alternative formats upon request, and, to the extent practicable, in a language parents understand.
- If the LEA plan for Title I, Part A, developed under section 1112 of the ESEA, is not satisfactory to the parents of participating children, the school district will submit any parent comments with the plan when the school district submits the plan to the State Department of Education.
- The school district will involve the parents of children served in Title I, Part A schools in decisions about how the 1 percent of Title I, Part A funds reserved for parental involvement is spent, and will ensure that not less than 95 percent of the one percent reserved goes directly to the schools.
- The school district will be governed by the following statutory definition of parental involvement, and expects that its Title I schools 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—

(A) that parents play an integral role in assisting their child's learning;

(B) that parents are encouraged to be actively involved in their child's education at school;

(C) 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;

(D) the carrying out of other activities, such as those described in section 1118 of the ESEA.

PART II. DESCRIPTION OF HOW DISTRICT WILL IMPLEMENT REQUIRED DISTRICT WIDE PARENTAL INVOLVEMENT POLICY COMPONENTS

Franklin Elementary School

Title I, Part A regulations require that each school served under Title I, Part A jointly develop with and distribute to parents of participating children, a written involvement policy agreed on by the parents that describes the requirements of the Elementary and Secondary Education Act (ESEA) section 1116. Parent and Family Engagement (c) through (f) as listed below:

C. Policy Involvement

Each school served under this part shall —

1. Convene an annual meeting, at a convenient time, to which all parents of participating children shall be invited and encouraged to attend, to inform parents of their school's participation under this part and to explain the requirements of this part, and the right of the parents to be involved;

December 3rd, 2019 -Franklin School Auditorium

2. Offer a flexible number of meetings, such as meetings in the morning or evening, and may provide, with funds provided under this part, transportation, child care, or home visits, as such services relate to parent and family engagement;

Essential meetings are held twice a day, AM session and PM session. Childcare is made available while the meeting is in session.

3. Involve parents, in an organized, ongoing, and timely way, in the planning, review, and improvement of programs under this part, including the planning, review, and improvement of the school parent and family engagement policy;
- ✓ ***Franklin Elementary School invites all parents to attend our annual School Forum to review and revise this parental involvement policy, as well as our school-parent compact and the parental involvement budget. The plan is posted on our school Website for parents to view and submit feedback throughout the year. All parent feedback received during the year will be used to revise the plan for the next school year.***

- ✓ *We also distribute an annual survey online and by mail to ask parents for their suggestions on the plan and the use of funds for parental involvement.*
 - ✓ *Parents can also give feedback during several parent meetings and activities during the school.*
 - ✓ *We collect feedback from parents at all events, place input card around the building and post suggestion forms on the school website in order to respond to parents' requests for additional support for parental involvement activities*
4. Provide parents of participating children —
- (A) Timely information about programs under this part;
 - (B) A description and explanation of the curriculum in use at the school, the forms of academic assessment used to measure student progress, and the achievement levels students are expected to meet regarding the challenging State academic standards; and
 - (C) 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.
- ✓ *Franklin Elementary School will ensure that all information related to school and parent programs, meetings, and other activities is posted on the school Web site, and included in the monthly school newsletter for all parents.*
 - ✓ *We will share information in the school newsletter for parents to understand the school's academic standards and assessments as well as the ways parents can monitor their child's progress and work with educators.*
 - ✓ *We will communicate with all families and the community on a regular basis regarding school wide events and activities, through phone messages, social media, and flyers.*
 - ✓ *We will work with our parents to develop relevant trainings and helpful presentations to educate our staff on the importance of parental involvement.*
5. If the Annual School Plan (schoolwide program plan) is not satisfactory to the parents of participating children, submit any parent comments on the Annual School Plan (ASP) when the school makes the plan available to the local educational agency.

At the beginning of the year, the plan is included in the student handbook and posted on the school's website, which every parent must view. In addition, parents can also retrieve a copy of the plan in the school's main office. The plan is also posted on our school Website for parents to view and submit feedback throughout the year. All parent feedback received during the year will be used to revise the plan for the next school year.

D. Shared Responsibilities for High Student Academic Achievement-

As a component of the school-level parent and family engagement policy, each school shall jointly develop with parents for all children served under this part a school-parent compact that outlines how parents, the entire school staff, and students will share the responsibility for improved student academic achievement.

As part of this plan, Franklin Elementary and our families will develop a school-parent compact, which is an agreement that parents, teachers, and students will develop that explains how parents and teachers will work together to make sure all our students reach grade-level standards. The compacts will be reviewed and updated annually based on feedback from parents, students and teachers during our Annual School Forum.

E. Building Capacity for 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, each school and local educational agency assisted under this part —

1. Shall provide assistance to parents of children served by the school or local educational agency, as appropriate, in understanding such topics as the challenging State academic standards, State and local academic assessments, the requirements of this part, and how to monitor a child's progress and work with educators to improve the achievement of their children;

Franklin Elementary will host the following events to build the capacity for strong parental involvement to support a partnership among the school, parents, and the community to improve student academic achievement.

- ✓ Annual Title I Meeting -We invite you to an evening of learning and sharing about our Title I program, including our parental involvement policy, the school-parent compacts, and parents' requirements. Invitations will be distributed via backpack and posted in the school newsletter.
- ✓ Family Literacy Night -Camp Read-A-Lot -Learn helpful information to prepare for the school year.
- ✓ Lunch n Learn – Quarterly Sessions to gain knowledge about topics relevant to your child's education.
- ✓ Family Math Night – Learn how to make math fun at home.
- ✓ Career Night – A celebration of student's work on various entrepreneurship PBL activities and the recognition of parental involvement impact on school and student success.

- ✓ *School Forum* – A forum for parents to participate in roundtable discussions with the principal and staff regarding the school wide plan, parental involvement policy, school-parent compacts and the parental involvement budget.

2. Shall provide materials and training to help parents to work with their children to improve their children's achievement, such as literacy training and using technology, as appropriate, to foster parent and family engagement;

Franklin Elementary School will provide necessary materials and handouts for parents at conferences, meetings, and activities to help parents work with their child to improve their child's achievement.

3. Shall educate teachers, pupil services personnel, principals, other school leaders, and other staff, with the assistance of parents, in the value and utility of contributions of parents, and in how to reach out to, communicate with, and work with parents as equal partners, implement and coordinate parent programs, and build ties between parents and the school;

Franklin Elementary School will work with our parents to develop relevant trainings and helpful presentations to educate our staff on the importance of parental involvement.

4. Shall, to the extent feasible and appropriate, coordinate and integrate parent involvement programs and activities with Head Start, the Home Instruction Programs for Preschool Youngsters, the Parents as Teachers Program, 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;

✓ ***We will offer workshops at the schools at various times to accommodate parent schedules***

✓ ***Parents will be asked to select an appointed time once a year where they will read to their child's Kindergarten class***

✓ ***Parents are encouraged to visit classrooms***

5. Shall ensure that information related to school and parent programs, meetings, and other activities is sent to the parents of participating children in a format and, to the extent practicable, in a language the parents can understand;

✓ ***Franklin Elementary will ensure that all information related to school and parent programs, meetings, and other activities is posted on the school Web site, and included in the monthly school newsletter for all parents.***

✓ ***We will communicate with all families and the community on a regular basis regarding school wide events and activities, through phone messages, social media, and flyers.***

6. May involve parents in the development of training for teachers, principals, and other educators to improve the effectiveness of such training;
7. May provide necessary literacy training from funds received under this part if the local educational agency has exhausted all other reasonably available sources of funding for such training;

May pay reasonable and necessary expenses associated with local parent and family engagement activities, including transportation and child care costs, to enable parents to participate in school-related meetings and training sessions;

Franklin elementary will provide childcare to parents attending school-related meetings and training sessions.

8. May train parents to enhance the involvement of other parents;
9. May arrange school meetings at a variety of times, or conduct in-home conferences between teachers or other educators, who work directly with participating children, with parents who are unable to attend such conferences at school, in order to maximize parent and family engagement and participation;
10. May adopt and implement model approaches to improving parent and family engagement;

Franklin Elementary will provide essential parent meetings in two sessions an AM and a PM session.

11. May establish a district wide parent advisory council to provide advice on all matters related to parent and family engagement in programs supported under this section;
12. May develop appropriate roles for community-based organizations and businesses in parent and family engagement activities; and
13. Shall provide such other reasonable support for parent and family engagement activities under this section as parents may request.

(For numbers 6 - 14, list any activities and/or actions your school will be implementing.)

F. Accessibility –

In carrying out the parent and family engagement requirements of this part, districts and schools, to the extent practicable, shall provide full opportunities for the participation of parents of children with limited English proficiency, parents of children with disabilities, and parents of migratory children, including providing information and school reports required in a format and, to the extent practicable, in a language such parents can understand.

All students participating in the Title I, Part A program, and their families, are encouraged and invited to fully participate in the opportunities described in this plan. Franklin Elementary will provide full opportunity for the participation of parents with limited English, parents with disabilities and parents of migratory children.

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PART IV. ADOPTION

This District - 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 Mr. Gregory Tatum, Superintendent of the Township of Union Schools.

This policy was adopted by the Township of Union Schools on 12/17/2019 and will be in effect for the period of 12/18/2019 – 11/30/20. The school district will distribute this policy to all parents of participating Title I, Part A children on or after December 18th, 2019.

(Signature of Authorized Official)

(Date)

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December 2019

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- Consistent with section 1118, the school district will work with its schools to ensure that the required school-level parental involvement policies meet the requirements of section 1118(b) of the ESEA, and each include, as a component, a school-parent compact consistent with section 1118(d) of the ESEA.
- The school district will incorporate this district wide parental involvement policy into its LEA plan developed under section 1112 of the ESEA.
- In carrying out the Title I, Part A parental involvement requirements, to the extent practicable, the school district and its schools will 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 required under section 1111 of the ESEA in an understandable and uniform format and, including alternative formats upon request, and, to the extent practicable, in a language parents understand.
- If the LEA plan for Title I, Part A, developed under section 1112 of the ESEA, is not satisfactory to the parents of participating children, the school district will submit any parent comments with the plan when the school district submits the plan to the State Department of Education.
- The school district will involve the parents of children served in Title I, Part A schools in decisions about how the 1 percent of Title I, Part A funds reserved for parental involvement is spent, and will ensure that not less than 95 percent of the one percent reserved goes directly to the schools.
- The school district will be governed by the following statutory definition of parental involvement, and expects that its Title I schools will carry out programs, activities and procedures in accordance with this definition:

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(A) that parents play an integral role in assisting their child's learning;

(B) that parents are encouraged to be actively involved in their child's education at school;

(C) 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;

(D) the carrying out of other activities, such as those described in section 1118 of the ESEA.

PART II. DESCRIPTION OF HOW DISTRICT WILL IMPLEMENT REQUIRED DISTRICT WIDE PARENTAL INVOLVEMENT POLICY COMPONENTS

Hannah Caldwell Elementary School

Title I, Part A regulations require that each school served under Title I, Part A jointly develop with and distribute to parents of participating children, a written involvement policy agreed on by the parents that describes the requirements of the Elementary and Secondary Education Act (ESEA) section 1116. Parent and Family Engagement (c) through (f) as listed below:

C. Policy Involvement

Each school served under this part shall —

1. Convene an annual meeting, at a convenient time, to which all parents of participating children shall be invited and encouraged to attend, to inform parents of their school's participation under this part and to explain the requirements of this part, and the right of the parents to be involved;

November 25, 2019- Hannah Caldwell Elementary School

Session 1: 9am- HCES Conference Room

Session 2: 6:30pm- Cafeteria

2. Offer a flexible number of meetings, such as meetings in the morning or evening, and may provide, with funds provided under this part, transportation, child care, or home visits, as such services relate to parent and family engagement;

Essential meetings will be offered in 2 sessions (AM and PM).

3. Involve parents, in an organized, ongoing, and timely way, in the planning, review, and improvement of programs under this part, including the planning, review, and improvement of the school parent and family engagement policy;

Hannah Caldwell Elementary School will provide necessary materials and resources for parents at conferences, meetings, and activities to help parents work with their child to improve their child's achievement.

3. Shall educate teachers, pupil services personnel, principals, other school leaders, and other staff, with the assistance of parents, in the value and utility of contributions of parents, and in how to reach out to, communicate with, and work with parents as equal partners, implement and coordinate parent programs, and build ties between parents and the school;

Hannah Caldwell Elementary School will work with our parents and listen to their feedback through surveys, PTA meetings, parent-teacher conferences, and other parent attended activities in order to develop relevant trainings and helpful professional development to educate our staff on the importance of parental involvement.

4. Shall, to the extent feasible and appropriate, coordinate and integrate parent involvement programs and activities with Head Start, the Home Instruction Programs for Preschool Youngsters, the Parents as Teachers Program, 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;
 - ❖ **Workshops will be offered at various times to accommodate parent schedules.**
 - ❖ **Parents are encouraged to communicate often with their child's teacher through various resources such as Class Dojo, Bloomz, Class Tag, and other parent-teacher communication resources.**
 - ❖ **Parents are encouraged to join the PTA, attend monthly meetings, and get involved with the planned activities throughout the school year.**
5. Shall ensure that information related to school and parent programs, meetings, and other activities is sent to the parents of participating children in a format and, to the extent practicable, in a language the parents can understand;
 - ❖ **Hannah Caldwell Elementary School will ensure that all information related to school and parent programs, meetings, and other activities is posted on the school website, online calendar, phone messages, and flyers.**
6. May involve parents in the development of training for teachers, principals, and other educators to improve the effectiveness of such training;
7. May provide necessary literacy training from funds received under this part if the local educational agency has exhausted all other reasonably available sources of funding for such training;
8. May pay reasonable and necessary expenses associated with local parent and family engagement activities, including transportation and child care costs, to enable parents to participate in school-related meetings and training sessions;

9. May train parents to enhance the involvement of other parents;
10. May arrange school meetings at a variety of times, or conduct in-home conferences between teachers or other educators, who work directly with participating children, with parents who are unable to attend such conferences at school, in order to maximize parent and family engagement and participation;
11. May adopt and implement model approaches to improving parent and family engagement;
12. May establish a district wide parent advisory council to provide advice on all matters related to parent and family engagement in programs supported under this section;
13. May develop appropriate roles for community-based organizations and businesses in parent and family engagement activities; and
14. Shall provide such other reasonable support for parent and family engagement activities under this section as parents may request.

F. Accessibility –

In carrying out the parent and family engagement requirements of this part, districts and schools, to the extent practicable, shall provide full opportunities for the participation of parents of children with limited English proficiency, parents of children with disabilities, and parents of migratory children, including providing information and school reports required in a format and, to the extent practicable, in a language such parents can understand.

All students participating in the Title I, Part A program and their families, are encouraged and invited to fully participate in the opportunities described in this plan.
Hannah Caldwell
Elementary School will provide full opportunities for the participation of parents with limited English proficiency, parents of children with disabilities, and parents of migratory children.
Information will be provided in multiple forms such as emails, school website, parent-teacher communication apps and websites, and flyers.

- ❖ **Hannah Caldwell Elementary School invites parents to attend our Annual Parent Meeting to discuss the parental involvement policy, school-parent compact, and the parental involvement budget.**
- ❖ **An annual survey is distributed online and on paper that asks parents for feedback and suggestions on the plan and the use of funds for parental involvement.**
- ❖ **Parents can give feedback during several parent meetings and activities that take place throughout the duration of the program.**
- ❖ **Parental feedback is collected at all events, meetings, and through the annual survey in order to respond to parents' requests for additional support for parental involvement activities.**

4. Provide parents of participating children —

(A) Timely information about programs under this part;

(B) A description and explanation of the curriculum in use at the school, the forms of academic assessment used to measure student progress, and the achievement levels students are expected to meet regarding the challenging State academic standards; and

(C) 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.

- ❖ **Hannah Caldwell Elementary School will ensure that all information related to school and parent programs, meetings, and other activities is posted on the school website, the online calendar, and through flyers.**
- ❖ **Information regarding the school's academic standards and assessments as well as ways that parents can monitor their child's progress and work with educators will be shared during Open House, Parent-Teacher Conferences, and through various forms of parent-teacher communication such as Class Dojo, Bloomz, and other related resources.**
- ❖ **We will communicate with all families and the community on a regular basis regarding school wide events and activities, through phone messages, school website, and flyers.**
- ❖ **We will work with our parents and listen to their feedback through surveys, PTA meetings, parent-teacher conferences, and other parent attended activities in order to develop relevant trainings and helpful professional development to educate our staff on the importance of parental involvement.**

5. If the Annual School Plan (schoolwide program plan) is not satisfactory to the parents of participating children, submit any parent comments on the Annual School Plan (ASP) when the school makes the plan available to the local educational agency.

At the beginning of the school year, the plan is included in the student handbook that is provided to all students. Parents can also retrieve a copy of the plan in the school's main office. The plan is also posted on our school website for parents to view and submit feedback throughout the year. Parents also have the opportunity to provide feedback through an annual School Climate Survey. All parent feedback received during the year will be considered and used to revise the plan for the following school year.

D. Shared Responsibilities for High Student Academic Achievement-

As a component of the school-level parent and family engagement policy, each school shall jointly develop with parents for all children served under this part a school-parent compact that outlines how parents, the entire school staff, and students will share the responsibility for improved student academic achievement.

As part of this plan, Hannah Caldwell Elementary School and our families will develop a school-parent compact, which is an agreement that parents, teachers, and students will develop that explains how parents and teachers will work together to make sure all students reach grade-level standards. The compacts will be reviewed and updated annually based on feedback from parents, students, and teachers.

E. Building Capacity for 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, each school and local educational agency assisted under this part —

1. Shall provide assistance to parents of children served by the school or local educational agency, as appropriate, in understanding such topics as the challenging State academic standards, State and local academic assessments, the requirements of this part, and how to monitor a child's progress and work with educators to improve the achievement of their children;

Hannah Caldwell will host the following events to build the capacity for strong parental involvement to support a partnership among the school, parents, and the community to improve student academic achievement.

- ❖ **Annual Title I Meeting**
 - ❖ **PBL/Parent Nights (January & April): A celebration of student's work on various PBL activities and the recognition of parental involvement and the impact on school and student success**
 - ❖ **Family STEM/Robotics Night: An opportunity for parents to engage in various STEM and Robotics activities with their children.**
2. Shall provide materials and training to help parents to work with their children to improve their children's achievement, such as literacy training and using technology, as appropriate, to foster parent and family engagement;

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(B) that parents are encouraged to be actively involved in their child's education at school;

(C) 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;

(D) the carrying out of other activities, such as those described in section 1118 of the ESEA.

PART II. DESCRIPTION OF HOW DISTRICT WILL IMPLEMENT REQUIRED DISTRICT WIDE PARENTAL INVOLVEMENT POLICY COMPONENTS

BURNET MIDDLE SCHOOL

Title I, Part A regulations require that each school served under Title I, Part A jointly develop with and distribute to parents of participating children, a written involvement policy agreed on by the parents that describes the requirements of the Elementary and Secondary Education Act (ESEA) section 1116. Parent and Family Engagement (c) through (f) as listed below:

C. Policy Involvement

Each school served under this part shall —

1. Convene an annual meeting, at a convenient time, to which all parents of participating children shall be invited and encouraged to attend, to inform parents of their school's participation under this part and to explain the requirements of this part, and the right of the parents to be involved;

The annual meeting will be held on the following date in the school auditorium.

- ***November 21st, 2019 at 6:00pm. Child Care will be provided.***

2. Offer a flexible number of meetings, such as meetings in the morning or evening, and may provide, with funds provided under this part, transportation, child care, or home visits, as such services relate to parent and family engagement;

The meeting will occur at 6pm in the evening and child care will be provided.

Additional, emails and all calls will be sent out to provide registration and program information.

3. Involve parents, in an organized, ongoing, and timely way, in the planning, review, and improvement of programs under this part, including the planning, review, and improvement of the school parent and family engagement policy;

Parent surveys will be conducted to engage parents. Moreover, there will be opportunities for parents to contribute to the program (i.e. community service events, cultural nights).

4. Provide parents of participating children —
- (A) Timely information about programs under this part;
- **Quarterly surveys will be distributed.**
- (B) A description and explanation of the curriculum in use at the school, the forms of academic assessment used to measure student progress, and the achievement levels students are expected to meet regarding the challenging State academic standards; and
- **The curriculum for the program shall consist of the following components and all of them shall help improve students' academic achievement and social skills.**
 - **BreakoutEDU (Escape Rooms)**
 - **Math & English**
 - **Social Emotional Learning**
 - **Technology (Video Editing)**
 - **iReady**
- (C) 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.

Parents should Email- Rking@twpunionschools.org. All emails should be titled "Title 1".

5. If the Annual School Plan (schoolwide program plan) is not satisfactory to the parents of participating children, submit any parent comments on the Annual School Plan (ASP) when the school makes the plan available to the local educational agency.

Parents should reach out to Title I Coordinator to schedule a meeting. During the meeting a parent shall come prepared with suggestions to help improve the schoolwide program plan.

D. Shared Responsibilities for High Student Academic Achievement-

As a component of the school-level parent and family engagement policy, each school shall jointly develop with parents for all children served under this part a school-parent compact that outlines how parents, the entire school staff, and students will share the responsibility for improved student academic achievement.

Parents and teachers shall work collaboratively to help improve student achievement by supporting each other through various actions such as:

- ***Responding to parent surveys***
- ***Responding timely to teacher/parent emails or phone calls***
- ***Attending annual meetings***

E. Building Capacity for 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, each school and local educational agency assisted under this part —

1. Shall provide assistance to parents of children served by the school or local educational agency, as appropriate, in understanding such topics as the challenging State academic standards, State and local academic assessments, the requirements of this part, and how to monitor a child's progress and work with educators to improve the achievement of their children;

The program will include Math and English strategies to help students and parents prepare for statewide testing. Addition, resources will be provided to get their child ready for upcoming statewide assessments.

2. Shall provide materials and training to help parents to work with their children to improve their children's achievement, such as literacy training and using technology, as appropriate, to foster parent and family engagement;

Information will be provided through the school website/district website to help parents understand the necessary technological tools/skills to help their child succeed.

3. Shall educate teachers, pupil services personnel, principals, other school leaders, and other staff, with the assistance of parents, in the value and utility of contributions of parents, and in how to reach out to, communicate with, and work with parents as equal partners, implement and coordinate parent programs, and build ties between parents and the school;

Teachers/program coordinator will constantly communicate with parents via email/phone call to inform parents of the success of the program.

4. Shall, to the extent feasible and appropriate, coordinate and integrate parent involvement programs and activities with Head Start, the Home Instruction Programs for Preschool Youngsters, the Parents as Teachers Program, 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;

Parents will be informed during PTA meetings.

5. Shall ensure that information related to school and parent programs, meetings, and other activities is sent to the parents of participating children in a format and, to the extent practicable, in a language the parents can understand;

Information will be provided through the following resources:

- ***All calls / Emails***
- ***Through Social Media (i.e. Facebook, Instagram, Twitter)***

6. May involve parents in the development of training for teachers, principals, and other educators to improve the effectiveness of such training;

7. May provide necessary literacy training from funds received under this part if the local educational agency has exhausted all other reasonably available sources of funding for such training;
8. May pay reasonable and necessary expenses associated with local parent and family engagement activities, including transportation and child care costs, to enable parents to participate in school-related meetings and training sessions;
9. May train parents to enhance the involvement of other parents;
10. May arrange school meetings at a variety of times, or conduct in-home conferences between teachers or other educators, who work directly with participating children, with parents who are unable to attend such conferences at school, in order to maximize parent and family engagement and participation;
11. May adopt and implement model approaches to improving parent and family engagement;
12. May establish a district wide parent advisory council to provide advice on all matters related to parent and family engagement in programs supported under this section;
13. May develop appropriate roles for community-based organizations and businesses in parent and family engagement activities; and
14. Shall provide such other reasonable support for parent and family engagement activities under this section as parents may request.

Currently, the school allows parent feedback and engagement through PTA meetings. Various activities will be conducted throughout the year through their feedback and suggestions.

F. Accessibility –

In carrying out the parent and family engagement requirements of this part, districts and schools, to the extent practicable, shall provide full opportunities for the participation of parents of children with limited English proficiency, parents of children with disabilities, and parents of migratory children, including providing information and school reports required in a format and, to the extent practicable, in a language such parents can understand.

Translated information will be provided.

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PART IV. ADOPTION

This District - 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 Mr. Gregory Tatum, Superintendent of the Township of Union Schools.

This policy was adopted by the Township of Union Schools on 12/17/2019 and will be in effect for the period of 12/18/2019 – 11/30/20. The school district will distribute this policy to all parents of participating Title I, Part A children on or after December 18th, 2019.

(Signature of Authorized Official)

(Date)

Township of Union Title I District-School Parental Involvement Policy

December 2019

The Township of Union Schools agrees to implement the following statutory requirements:

- The school district will put into operation programs, activities and procedures for the involvement of parents in all of its schools with Title I, Part A programs, consistent with section 1118 of the Elementary and Secondary Education Act (ESEA). Those programs, activities and procedures will be planned and operated with meaningful consultation with parents of participating children.
- Consistent with section 1118, the school district will work with its schools to ensure that the required school-level parental involvement policies meet the requirements of section 1118(b) of the ESEA, and each include, as a component, a school-parent compact consistent with section 1118(d) of the ESEA.
- The school district will incorporate this district wide parental involvement policy into its LEA plan developed under section 1112 of the ESEA.
- In carrying out the Title I, Part A parental involvement requirements, to the extent practicable, the school district and its schools will 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 required under section 1111 of the ESEA in an understandable and uniform format and, including alternative formats upon request, and, to the extent practicable, in a language parents understand.
- If the LEA plan for Title I, Part A, developed under section 1112 of the ESEA, is not satisfactory to the parents of participating children, the school district will submit any parent comments with the plan when the school district submits the plan to the State Department of Education.
- The school district will involve the parents of children served in Title I, Part A schools in decisions about how the 1 percent of Title I, Part A funds reserved for parental involvement is spent, and will ensure that not less than 95 percent of the one percent reserved goes directly to the schools.
- The school district will be governed by the following statutory definition of parental involvement, and expects that its Title I schools 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—

(A) that parents play an integral role in assisting their child's learning;

(B) that parents are encouraged to be actively involved in their child's education at school;

(C) 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;

(D) the carrying out of other activities, such as those described in section 1118 of the ESEA.

PART II. DESCRIPTION OF HOW DISTRICT WILL IMPLEMENT REQUIRED DISTRICT WIDE PARENTAL INVOLVEMENT POLICY COMPONENTS

Union High School

Title I, Part A regulations require that each school served under Title I, Part A jointly develop with and distribute to parents of participating children, a written involvement policy agreed on by the parents that describes the requirements of the Elementary and Secondary Education Act (ESEA) section 1116. Parent and Family Engagement (c) through (f) as listed below:

C. Policy Involvement

Each school served under this part shall —

1. Convene an annual meeting, at a convenient time, to which all parents of participating children shall be invited and encouraged to attend, to inform parents of their school's participation under this part and to explain the requirements of this part, and the right of the parents to be involved;
 - a. A parent family night will be held in the first week of January.*
 - b. A second meeting will be scheduled when feedback is received from the parents.*
2. Offer a flexible number of meetings, such as meetings in the morning or evening, and may provide, with funds provided under this part, transportation, child care, or home visits, as such services relate to parent and family engagement;
 - a. Meetings, detailed above, show flexibility of the school and encourage the maximum number of parents/guardians to attend.*
3. Involve parents, in an organized, ongoing, and timely way, in the planning, review, and improvement of programs under this part, including the planning, review, and improvement of the school parent and family engagement policy;

- a. Parents will be notified via the school website.*
- b. Principal or designee will attend PTA meetings and encourage parents to be actively involved in the Title I program.*
- c. Offer parents the opportunity to meet with Title I tutors/teachers to understand strategies being utilized*

(B) A description and explanation of the curriculum in use at the school, the forms of academic assessment used to measure student progress, and the achievement levels students are expected to meet regarding the challenging State academic standards; and

(C) 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.

a. Letter will be sent home to parents indicating school status and scores.

b. Parents will be notified via web site and PTA meetings encouraging participation in school improvement planning.

D. Shared Responsibilities for High Student Academic Achievement-

As a component of the school-level parent and family engagement policy, each school shall jointly develop with parents for all children served under this part a school-parent compact that outlines how parents, the entire school staff, and students will share the responsibility for improved student academic achievement.

a. Surveys will be distributed to parents. When possible, survey will be developed in the language that is used by the parent.

b. Parent workshops will be developed based upon survey results. Workshops will be scheduled to accommodate the needs of the parents.

c. Develop a survey for the students to inquire about their specific academic needs.

E. Building Capacity for 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, each school and local educational agency assisted under this part —

1. Shall provide assistance to parents of children served by the school or local educational agency, as appropriate, in understanding such topics as the challenging State academic standards, State and local academic assessments, the requirements of this part, and how to monitor a child's progress and work with educators to improve the achievement of their children;

8. May pay reasonable and necessary expenses associated with local parent and family engagement activities, including transportation and child care costs, to enable parents to participate in school-related meetings and training sessions;
9. May train parents to enhance the involvement of other parents;
10. May arrange school meetings at a variety of times, or conduct in-home conferences between teachers or other educators, who work directly with participating children, with parents who are unable to attend such conferences at school, in order to maximize parent and family engagement and participation;
11. May adopt and implement model approaches to improving parent and family engagement;
12. May establish a district wide parent advisory council to provide advice on all matters related to parent and family engagement in programs supported under this section;
13. May develop appropriate roles for community-based organizations and businesses in parent and family engagement activities; and
14. Shall provide such other reasonable support for parent and family engagement activities under this section as parents may request.

- a. Families play an integral role in assisting their child's learning;*
- b. Families are encouraged to be actively involved in their child's education at school;*
- c. Families 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; and*
- d. Other activities are carried out, such as those described in Section 1116 of the ESSA.*

F. Accessibility –

In carrying out the parent and family engagement requirements of this part, districts and schools, to the extent practicable, shall provide full opportunities for the participation of parents of children with limited English proficiency, parents of children with disabilities, and parents of migratory children, including providing information and school reports required in a format and, to the extent practicable, in a language such parents can understand.

- 1. Apex Learning, one of the programs being utilized in the after school program, has access to a translator to multiple different languages.**
- 2. All information is shared to families eligible to receive Title I services in a manner that would enable them to participate. In most cases, the Principal or other school employee will reach out to the family and explore barriers and implement a plan for full participation.**

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ADOPTION

This District - 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 Mr. Gregory Tatum, Superintendent of the Township of Union Schools.

This policy was adopted by the Township of Union Schools on 12/17/19 and will be in effect for the period of 12/18/19 – 11/30/20. The school district will distribute this policy to all parents of participating Title I, Part A children on or after December 18th, 2019.

(Signature of Authorized Official)

(Date)