

SOUDERTON AREA SCHOOL DISTRICT

SECTION: COMMUNITY

TITLE: TITLE I PARENT
INVOLVEMENT

ADOPTED: February 26, 2004

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<p>918. TITLE I PARENT INVOLVEMENT</p>	
<p>1. Purpose</p>	<p>The Board recognizes that parent involvement contributes to the achievement of academic standards by students participating in Title I programs. The Board views the education of students as a cooperative effort among the school, parents and community.</p>
<p>2. Authority 20 U.S.C. Sec. 6318</p>	<p>In compliance with federal law, the district and parents of students participating in Title I programs shall jointly develop and agree upon a written parent involvement policy. When developing and implementing this policy, the district shall ensure the policy describes how the district will:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Involve parents in the joint development of the district's overall Title I plan and the process of school review and improvement. 2. Provide the coordination, technical assistance and other support necessary to assist participating schools in planning and implementing effective parent involvement activities to improve student academic achievement and school performance. 3. Develop activities that promote the schools' and parents' capacity for strong parent involvement. 4. Coordinate and integrate parental involvement strategies with appropriate programs, as provided by law. 5. Involve parents in an annual evaluation of the content and effectiveness of the policy in improving the academic quality of schools served under Title I. 6. Identify barriers to participation by parents who are economically disadvantaged, are disabled, have limited English proficiency, have limited literacy, or are of any racial or ethnic minority. 7. Use findings of annual evaluations to design strategies for more effective parent involvement.

<p>20 U.S.C. Sec. 6318</p> <p>3. Delegation of Responsibility</p> <p>4. Guidelines 20 U.S.C. Sec. 6318</p>	<p>8. Involve parents in the activities of schools served under Title I.</p> <p>The Board shall adopt and distribute the parent involvement policy, which shall be incorporated into the district's Title I plan and shall be evaluated annually, with parent involvement.</p> <p>The Superintendent or designee shall ensure that the district's Title I parent involvement policy, plan and programs comply with the requirements of federal law.</p> <p>The building principal and/or Title I staff shall provide to parents of students participating in Title I programs:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Explanation of the reasons supporting their child's selection for the program. 2. Set of objectives to be addressed. 3. Description of the services to be provided. <p>The Superintendent or designee shall ensure that information and reports provided to parents are in an understandable and uniform format and, to the extent practicable, in a language the parents can understand.</p> <p>An annual meeting of parents of participating Title I students shall be held to explain the goals and purposes of the Title I program. Parents shall be given the opportunity to participate in the design, development, operation and evaluation of the program. Parents shall be encouraged to participate in planning activities, to offer suggestions, and to ask questions regarding policies and programs.</p> <p>In addition to the required annual meeting, additional parent meetings shall be held at various times of the day and evening. At these meetings, parents shall be provided:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Information about programs provided under Title I. 2. Description and explanation of the curriculum in use, the forms of academic assessment used to measure student progress, and the proficiency levels students are expected to meet. 3. Opportunities to formulate suggestions and to participate, as appropriate, in decisions relating to the education of their children. 4. Opportunities to submit parent comments about the program to the district level.
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