

Sharon Christa McAuliffe Middle School
Parent and Family Engagement Policy 2018-2019



STATEMENT OF PURPOSE

In accordance with the Every Student Succeeds Act (ESSA), the Parent and Family Engagement Policy is established to provide guidelines for the engagement of parents in the school. Sharon Christa McAuliffe Middle School is committed to providing the highest level of quality education to prepare our students for academic success.

- Parental and Family Engagement is the participation between school, parents and families in a two-way meaningful communication concerning student academic, social or emotional development. The school will provide an equal opportunity for the engagement of all parents and families by providing information and school reports in both English and Spanish
- The Parent and Family Engagement Policy will have as a component the School-Parent Compact constructed and agreed upon by the faculty, parents and students. The school will incorporate the Parent and Family Engagement Policy and the School-Parent Compact into its Campus Improvement Plan

Parent and Family Engagement Opportunities

- Communication between parents, school and faculty by phone, REMIND (text) messaging, conferences, email
- Volunteering on campus
- Parent Engagement activities such as: Noche de los Padres, Deerfoot program, Duke Tip, College PREP Program, Transition to High School/ Middle School meetings, Open House, curriculum nights, Bullying/David's Law, Cyber Safety/Social Media
- Parent Engagement/Resource Room available to all parents during the school day, provide computers for parents to access Online Registration, Parent Portal information, district and teacher websites
- Southwest ISD Community Education Classes which includes ESL and GED classes

Staff/Parent Communication

- Parents will be informed of student progress and opportunities for extended learning through flyers, campus and district websites and campus marquee
- Teacher web pages displaying course description/expectations, grading policy and contact information
- Progress reports sent home after every 3rd week of a grading cycle

Evaluation

- Invite parents to participate in the end of year Customer Service Survey and Campus Evaluation
- Annual Revision Meeting of the Parent Engagement and Family Policy and the School-Parent Compact

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