

MODESTO CITY SCHOOLS

Fairview Elementary

Title I, Part A School-Level Parent and Family Engagement Policy

“Family engagement refers to the systematic inclusion of families in activities and programs that promote children’s development, learning, and wellness, including in the planning, development, and evaluation of such activities, programs, and systems.” – U.S. Dept. of Education, U.S. Dept. of Health & Human Services *Policy Statement On Family Engagement From The Early Years To The Early Grades, 2016*

Modesto City Schools has enacted Board Policy 6020 to describe how the district has established a school-level parent and family engagement policy. The Board of Education may amend the policy, if necessary, to meet the requirements of ESSA Section 1116(b)(c).

If a School-Level Parent and Family Engagement Policy is not satisfactory to the parents of participating children, the parents may submit comments to the school principal. The school shall submit any parent comments when the school makes the plan available to the district. (ESSA Section 1116[b][4])

This policy describes the means for carrying out designated Title I, Part A parent and family engagement requirements pursuant to ESSA Section 1116(c). To involve parents in the Title I, Part A programs, the following practices have been established:

- *Annual revision of the School Plan for Student Achievement including the comprehensive needs assessment, leading to the review/revision of the School’s Parent Involvement Policy and School-Parent Compact by December of each year.*
- *The School Site Council and English Learner Advisory Committee shall review and revise as necessary the next school year’s Parent Involvement Policy during the beginning of each school year.*

The school convenes an annual meeting to inform parents about Title I, Part A requirements and about the right of parents to be involved in the Title I, Part A program (ESSA Section 1116[c][1]).

- *Families are provided information about the school and students’ participation in Title I.*
- *The requirements of Title I, Part A are explained.*
- *Parents’ rights to be involved as listed in the Title I, Part A, Section 1118 regulations and the Modesto City Schools parent involvement policy and administrative regulations (Board Policy and Administrative Regulation 6020).*

The school offers a flexible number of meetings for Title I, Part A parents, such as meetings in the morning or evening (ESSA Section 1116[c][2]). *We have meetings throughout the year and vary the time depending on parental needs. We offer childcare as needed. Parents are invited and encouraged to participate in:*

- *Back-to-School Night*
- *Parent/Teachers Conference*
- *Annual Title I parent information meeting*
- *Parent observation opportunities upon request*
- *Teachers and administration are available for parent questions throughout the school year*

The school involves parents of Title I, Part A students in an organized, ongoing, and timely way, in the planning, review, and improvement of the school's Title I, Part A programs and the Title I, Part A parent involvement policy (ESSA Section 1116[c][3]). *Monthly newsletters are sent home to families in both English and Spanish. Appropriate information is also posted on our school website. Flyers are sent home within a week of every meeting throughout the school year. Several opportunities for parent involvement are offered, including:*

- *English Learner Advisory Committee*
- *Parent Involvement and Engagement*
- *Parent workshops*
- *School Site Council meetings*
- *Back-to-School Night*
- *Parent/Teachers Conference*

The school provides parents of Title I, Part A students with timely information about Title I, Part A programs (ESSA Section 1116[c)(4)[A]).

- *Posting on the school website*
- *Messenger calls*
- *Regular parent notices providing dates and times for events and meetings*

The school provides parents of Title I, Part A students with an explanation of the curriculum used at the school, the assessments used to measure student progress, and the proficiency levels students are expected to meet (ESSA Section 1116[c][4][B]).

Curriculum, assessments, and proficiency levels are explained:

- *The School Accountability Report Card and School Plan for Student Achievement are both posted on the school website. Hard copies are available in the school office.*
- *Parent notices and related documents include the school's website URL.*
- *Progress report*
- *Report card*
- *Parent/Teacher conference*
- *CAASPP assessments and Summative/IAB's*
- *Back-to-School Night*
- *Parent/Teacher Conference*
- *Title I parent meetings*
- *English Learner Advisory Committee Meetings*
- *Parent Involvement and Engagement Meetings*
- *Parent workshops*
- *School Site Council Meetings*

If requested by parents of Title I, Part A students, the school provides opportunities for regular meetings that allow the parents to participate in decisions relating to the education of their children (ESSA Section 1116[c][4][C]).

- *Parent Student Teacher Conferences are held at least once at the elementary level.*

- *Student Study Team Meetings*
- *Individualized Education Plan for students in Special Education*
- *Opportunities and regularly scheduled meetings are afforded to parents that allow them to participate in decisions relating to the education of their children. Parents are encouraged to participate in various opportunities and to become involved in their children's education.*

This School-Level Parent and Family Engagement Policy has been developed jointly with, updated periodically, and agreed on with parents of children participating in Title I, Part A programs, as evidenced by:

- *The Parent and Family Engagement Policy is provided at the beginning of each school year to all families requesting feedback.*
- *Approval is required every year by the School Site Council after review or revision based on feedback from families. Approval is documented in the School Site Council minutes.*

This policy was adopted by the School Site Council on **November 23, 2021** and will be in effect for the period of one (1) year.

The school will distribute the policy to all parents of students participating in the Title I, Part A program on, or before: **December 1, 2021.**

Name of School Site Council Chairperson

Signature of School Site Council Chairperson

Date