

# **Latexo ISD Parent Involvement Policy**

## **Latexo ISD Vision Statement**

Inspiring and empowering students through perseverance with a passion for success.

## **Latexo ISD Mission Statement**

Latexo Independent School District, in partnership with our community, provides an unparalleled education while honoring faith and families.

## **Belief Statements:**

Latexo Independent School District:

- Provides unique opportunities to prepare students for their successful future.
- Encourages individuality to develop well-rounded students.
- Personal religious beliefs are the moral foundation of our community.
- Families are valued in our community.
- We value safety as a priority in our community.

## **Statement of Purpose for Latexo ISD for Parental Involvement**

Latexo ISD is committed to the goal of providing quality education for every student on this campus. To this end, we want to establish partnerships with parents and with the community. Neither home nor school can educate our children alone. The support our children receive for school is critical to their success at every step of the way.

The purpose of parent involvement is to promote a school-home partnership that will help all students succeed. Everyone gains if school and home work together to promote high achievement for our children.

Grade level goals and expectations for the students of Latexo ISD are distributed to all parents at the beginning of each school year. We recognize that some students may need the extra assistance available through the Title I Program, as well as other programs, to reach these goals.

1. The LES – Local Education Agency/School District involve parents in the joint development of the district’s plan [Section 1112] and the process of school review and improvement [Section 1116].

Latexo ISD intends to include in all aspects of the campus’s Title I Program and Parental Involvement Policy. The goal is a school-home partnership that will help all students to succeed. Parents and campus personnel will meet to develop our district’s Parental Involvement Policy. Parents are invited to be part of the process. Special attention will be given to recruiting parents of children participating in the Title I Program.

2. The LEA will 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.

Latexo ISD will provide opportunities for parents to participate in the planning and implementing of parent involvement activities to improve student academic achievement and school performance. Thus far, Latexo ISD provides the following parent involvement:

- Meet the Teacher / Open House
  - Go Folders and Planners
  - Parent Portal
  - Remind
  - Email
  - Parent Phone Calls
  - Donuts with Dad
  - Muffins for Mom
  - Grandparents Breakfast
  - Family Event Nights
  - Field Days
  - Awards Ceremonies
  - Parent-Teacher Organization
  - Fall Fest
  - Field Trips
  - District Improvement Committee
  - School Messenger
  - Latexo ISD Website
  - Latexo ISD Facebook Page
  - Google Classroom
  - Printed Progress Reports and Report Cards
  - Fundraisers
3. Build schools' and parents' capacity for strong parent involvement as described in section 1118 (e).

In order to build a dynamic home-school partnership, Latexo ISD with cooperation of the faculty, staff, parents, and students will provide the following:

- An annual meeting where parents will learn about the requirements of the school's Title I Program, and be given an opportunity to become involved with their child's education. The annual meeting will be held during the first semester. A letter will be sent to each child's parent, informing them of the date and time of the meeting.
- Parent meetings and conferences will be held at different times during the day to accommodate the needs of the parents. Communications with parents will be in a format and a language that they understand. Title I funds may be used to pay for reasonable and necessary expenses to enable parent to participate in school-related meetings and trainings.

- A description and explanation of the curriculum used, the forms of academic assessments used to measure student progress, such as benchmarks and progress monitoring assessments, and proficiency levels students are expected to meet, will be provided to parents through a letter or conference.
- Assistance to parents in understanding the state’s academic content standards, known as the Texas Essential Knowledge and Skills and the state student achievement standards based on the State of Texas Assessments of Academic Readiness (STAAR), will be communicated through the school-wide meetings and a letter from the principal.
- A school-parent compact designed by parents and school staff that outlines how parents, the entire campus staff, and the students will share the responsibility for improvement in student academic achievement.
- A minimum of one scheduled parent conference where the school-parent compact will be discussed as it relates to the progress of the student, as well as the expectations for the grade level school curriculum, test information, and any other concerns the teacher or parent may have.
- Parents will have the opportunity to help review, plan for and make suggestions to improve the Title I Program, as well as the Parental Involvement Policy and the School-Parent Compact.
- Appropriate parent participation opportunities for regular meetings to formulate suggestions and to participate, as appropriate, in decisions relating to their child’s education, if requested by the parent. Parents may request a meeting with the teachers or principal by phone, email, or in writing. In addition, parent may attend the scheduled yearly meetings.
- Information relating to school and parent programs, meetings, and other activities will be sent to parents in a timely manner. Information will be given to parent through newsletters from the school, LISD and PTO Facebook Postings, School Messenger Call and Text Outs, PTO Meetings, and communication directly from the classroom teacher. In addition, the school marquees will be used to inform parents of dates of programs, meetings, and activities.
- Materials and specific training to help parents work with their children to improve achievement.

Parents and community members are always welcome at our school. By using their suggestions to improve our school and by working together, we can make all the students in our school successful learners.

4. Latexo ISD, to the extent feasible and appropriate will coordinate and integrate Title I, Part A parental involvement strategies in conjunction with other programs.
5. Latexo ISD, with the involvement of parents, conducts an annual evaluation of the content and effectiveness of the District Title I Parental Involvement Policy with regard to:
  - a. Improving the academic quality of the Title I, Part A campus;
  - b. Identifying barriers to greater participation by parents in activities of Title I, Part A school authorized by Section 1118, giving particular attention to parents who:
    - i. Are economically disadvantaged

- ii. Are disabled
- iii. Have limited English proficiency
- iv. Have limited literacy

Campus personnel and parents will evaluate the parental involvement activities and the Parental Involvement Policy. Use the findings of such evaluation and recommendations in designing strategies for more effective parental involvement, and revising if necessary.

- 6. Latexo ISD will involve parents in the activities of the Title I, Part A. Timely communication and an inviting and family-friendly atmosphere will enhance parent involvement in the activities of the Title, I Part A campus. Parents will receive information in a language they can understand that will detail the activities of the school, and will be asked to participate. Latexo ISD may use communication strategies such as personal contact, newsletters, notes sent home with the students, the campus website, and email to invite parents to participate in the school's activities. Whenever possible, childcare and language interpreters will be provided. Parents and community members are always welcome at our schools. By working together and making suggestions to improve our schools, we can make all the students in our schools successful learners.

This Campus Wide 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 documented meetings and emails.

This policy was adopted by Latexo ISD on \_\_\_\_\_ and will and be in effect for the period of one school year.

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*(Signature of Authorized Official)*

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