

AR
JASPER SCHOOL DISTRICT
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District Parent Involvement Policy

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Ferguson, C. (2009). *A Toolkit for Title I Parental Involvement.* Austin, TX: SEDL**

School Year
2016-2017

Superintendent
Jeff Cantrell

School Improvement Status
Percent Tested-Achieving, Graduation Rate-Achieving, Mathematics-Needs Improvement, Literacy-Achieving

Parent Involvement Committee Members
(Select "Repeat" to open more entry fields to add additional team members)

Enter committee members

First Name
Melissa

Last Name
Parks

Position
Federal Coordinator

Enter committee members

First Name
Marsha

Last Name
Shaver

Position
Principal

Enter committee members

First Name
Dessa

Last Name
Emerson

Position
Parent

Enter committee members

First Name
Dwayne

Last Name
Barnard

Position
JES Parent Involvement Coordinator

Enter committee members

First Name
Sandra

Last Name

Allen

Position

Oark Parent Involvement Coordinator

Enter committee members

First Name

Waynetta

Last Name

Villines

Position

JHS Parent Involvement Coordinator

Enter committee members

First Name

Ruby

Last Name

Davidson

Position

Kingston Parent Coordinator

Goal 1: How will the LEA foster effective parental involvement strategies and support partnerships among school, parents, and the community to improve student achievement?

1. District Parent Involvement Policy is distributed with the Jasper Student Handbook. Each parent and student receives a copy of the handbook and is required to sign a signature page acknowledging receipt of the handbook and parent involvement policies. Also, the policies are available on the Jasper District Website at www.jasper.k12.ar.us
 - 2..The Federal Programs Coordinator, Melissa Parks, conducts an annual meeting in the spring to update the Title I policies and procedures for the upcoming year.
 3. Not Applicatable as the district receives less than \$500,000 in Title I funding.
 4. Each of our six buildings host parental involvement activities that are appropriate for the grade level of each building. A few examples are the pre-school transition night, literacy bingo night, seventh grade transition night, Christmas around the world parent night, and back to school open house. In each case, organizations and student support groups cooperate with the schools and are involved in these and other programs to enhance and support parent involvement.
 5. Each building has an established parent involment contact person. Jasper Elementary is Dwayne Barnard, Jasper High School is Waynetta Villines, Kingston Elementary and High School is Ruby Davidson, Oark Elementary is Sandra Allen, and Oark High School is Saundra Sanders.
 6. The parental involvement policies, both district and building level, are reviewed annually in the spring and revised according to effectiveness of each component. During the review, some of the components are revised, modified, added to, or deleted in order to improve on the parental involment policies and procedures.
 7. The district has developed and maintains a district level parental involvement committee. The current members are listed above. The committee meets annually in the spring to evaluate the effectiveness of current policy and procedures. The committee assesses the effectiveness of each of the parent activities and works to disseminate information and garner more parental support and involvement.
 8. Parents of children with disabilities or limited English proficiency have the same access as other parents including information in a language and the form they can understand.
 9. The Jasper School District recognizes the importance and value of parental involvement in the school review and improvement process. Parents are involved in the school improvement process by participation in each building's ACSIP committee and on-going school improvement process. Furthermore, parents are informed of ongoing school improvement process at each of the parent involvement activities. During these activities, parents are included for advice, help, and support of the process.
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Reviewer Response:

In Compliance

Reviewer Comments:

Your 2015-2016 district Parental Involvement Plan has been successfully update. All of the required components are included in your plan. The notes in the comments section above are requesting names of person responsible and under Goal 2, please omit the the

words upon request from action #4. After the requested information has been added to your plan, it can be posted to your website. A copy of the review will be e-mailed to Mr. Jeff Cantrell. Please retain a copy of that review along with a copy of your 2015-2016 Parental Involvement Plan in your parental involvement documentation files. Thank you for the effort that is evident in the completion of this plan so thoroughly. Best regards, Dr. Mallette

Goal 2: How will the district provide coordination, technical assistance, and other support necessary to assist participating schools in planning and implementing effective parental involvement?

1. The Jasper School District Parent Coordinator, Melissa Parks, is regularly within each school working with school parent facilitators, teachers, staff, students and parents. During the interaction parent involvement practices are observed being implemented.
2. Jasper School District has a Parent Center with materials available to assist parents with their children's academic, social, physical and emotional needs. In addition, each library media center has books available for check out. Training is being provided as needed.
3. Jasper School District will enhance the awareness and skills of teachers, pupil service personnel, principals, and staff in reaching out to, communicating with, and working with parents as equal partners by providing the required yearly professional development in parent involvement. All staff will attend the training. All staff will also participate in the planning and evaluation of all policies and procedures.
4. Information is sent home to parents in their native language to ensure that communication is open at all times. The building parent involvement coordinator in collaboration with the principal will work to make sure that this requirement is met with fidelity.
5. All counselors and administrators have information regarding the Newton County, Madison County, and Johnson County Adult Literacy Education program which is disseminated upon request.
6. All school policies are published on the school website www.jasper.k12.ar.us and policies relevant to students is placed in the front section of the student handbook annually. Parents and students must sign documentation upon receipt of the handbook, whether it be electronic or hard copy.
7. The Jasper School District periodically monitors each of the six buildings to ensure that they have developed a parent involvement policy, are providing flexible meeting times as requested by parents, provide information regarding the individual school's numerous programs, developed a School-Parent Compact, and trains parents on the phone messaging system for school communications and Home Access Center in order that parents can keep abreast of their child's educational experiences. Building principals, counselors, and parental involvement coordinators will work collaboratively to ensure this task is completed with fidelity.
8. The Jasper School District will ensure that each building will develop a parental involvement policy and share with all parents. It will be disseminated to parents at the beginning of each school year through papers attached to the handbook and parents will sign a form stating that they have received the policy. The policy will be shared with the community via the district website at www.jasper.k12.ar.us.
9. Annual Title I meetings and Annual Report to the Public are convened with the information provided to parents.

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Attention: Changes needed!

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Note: #4 Goal 2 -- Parents do not have to request that information be sent to them in a language that they can understand. This is federal law. Remove the words, upon request from action #4 under Goal 2. Tell who is responsible for making sure this is done. #7, Goal 2 -- Tell who will be responsible for monitoring the Title I schools to make sure they are doing these things.

Goal 3: How will the district build the school's capacity for strong parental involvement?

1. Parents rights are identified within the Jasper School District Policies published on the web at www.jasper.k12.ar.us. Parents are regularly informed regarding state and local education goals.
2. Parents have the opportunity to participate in the local Parent Teacher Organization. PTO is open to all parents but primarily elementary parents participate. Contact Lola Turner 479-292-3353 for PTO Information. In addition, each campus maintains a booster club for both band and athletics. Contact the principal of each building for booster club information
3. Jasper School District regularly partners with local businesses and organizations such as the local Kiwanis Club, Johnson County Rotary club, and Kingston Community Library.

4. The Jasper School District Parent Center has resources available for check out to parents regarding topics of concern in reference to parenting and improved parenting.

5. Parents will be surveyed at Open House and the first Parent Teacher Conference with questions that are relevant to the effectiveness of the Title I programs and procedures. The results of the survey are used to guide the improvement of the Title I programs and procedures. Parent Involvement Coordinators in every building will collect the surveys, tally, and communicate the responses.

6. Title I funds are set aside annually to support parent involvement activities. Melissa Parks 870-446-9284.

7. All six Jasper Schools are designated as "Title I, Part A Schoolwide" in order to provide parent support and meet the needs of students.

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#5, Goal 3 -- Tell who will conduct the survey and collect the responses.

Goal 4: How will the district conduct, with the involvement of parents, ongoing evaluation of the content and effectiveness of the parental involvement policy as it relates to strategies for increasing parental participation and identifying barriers to greater participation?

1. Parents are surveyed at the beginning of each year to measure the effectiveness and to identify barriers to parent involvement. The survey is evaluated each year and the questions are updated to accurately represent the needs of the program.
2. Parents are invited to participate in the development of the evaluation procedures. Collected data will be shared with parents during the evaluation process.
3. Documentation of all meetings includes agenda, sign-in sheets with name, signature and community position and minutes. Each school is responsible for maintaining the documentation for future reference as needed.
4. From the evaluation process of the parental policies, the parental involvement committee will make recommendations to each participating school for parental involvement policy revision. Also, the committees will encourage suggestions for designing school improvement policies.
5. The parent involvement committee will develop and present an annual parent activity evaluation report to share with parents, staff, and community.

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Goal 5: How will the district involve parents in the joint development of the district Title I Application under section 1112 (ACSIP)?

1. Parents are invited to serve on the district's ACSIP committee to provide suggestions for improvement and development of the Title I application. Jeff Cantrell 870-446-9289
2. Parents are recruited and serve on the district Parent Advisory Committee.
3. The district will encourage the formation of partnerships between the district and local businesses that includes roles for parents.
4. Parents are surveyed annually in the spring to provide input into district effectiveness.

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