
Programs and School Community Cont.

Day and After School Events:

- PTA (Parent Teacher Association)
- Parent-Teacher Conferences
- Book Fairs
- Read Deed Run
- Destination Imagination



Evaluation

Stephens Elementary will collaborate with parents to evaluate the effectiveness of the Title I program and parental engagement level. Parent and teacher surveys will be used to collect data which will aid in designing strategies for more effective parental engagement. Information from needs assessments, classroom observations, test data and other resources will be analyzed and used to revise the Title I program to meet current and future needs of the school. Modifications and ways to improve our practices will be reviewed and reported. Additionally, a family questionnaire will be distributed at the end of each school year to conduct an annual evaluation of the Title I program.

Annual Meetings

An annual parent orientation meeting will be held at USE to inform parents of the activities planned for the year, the Title I program and opportunities for parent engagement. At the end of each school year, parents and community members will be invited to a Title I meeting to evaluate and share any new information. Notice of this meeting will be printed in the local newspaper, posted on the KISD website and posted at USE.



Funding

1% of the school's Title I budget will be designated for the purpose of funding parental engagement programs as defined by the Parental Engagement Procedures, needs assessment, and/or Campus Improvement Plan. The campus principal will authorize the use of these funds as they are available.



Parent and Family Engagement Procedures 2023-2024

Statement of Purpose

At USE, the faculty and staff are committed to working with parents, teachers, students and our community to promote academic, social, and emotional success for all students. We believe each student should have every opportunity to reach their potential and are committed to meeting the needs of diverse learners by creating a safe and positive learning experience for which excellence is modeled and expected by all members of the USE family. We recognize the rights and responsibilities of parents and the important role that our school-parent-community partnership plays in student success. Events will be planned to foster this collaboration.

Stephens Elementary is a school-wide Title I campus, which allows ALL students the opportunity to benefit from the resources funded by Title I.

Developing the Procedures

The parental engagement procedures are a collaborative effort of faculty, staff, administration and parents. The campus advisory team reflects the diversity of the student population, and meetings are scheduled at a time and place convenient to all of its members. The procedures are reviewed annually and modified as needed to address current concerns and the needs of students, parents, the community and the school.

School-Parent Compact



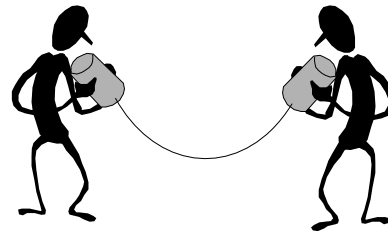
Student achievement is the result of effective home-school-community partnerships and there are many ways parents can make significant contributions to student success, both at home and while volunteering at the school. Ursula Stephens Elementary seeks to establish and promote a continuing connection between parents and their children's education. Our parent-school compact addresses the responsibilities of students, teachers and parents. The compacts are discussed and signed at parent conferences.

Staff-Parent Communication

On-going communication between staff and parents will occur in a variety of ways. Parents will be informed regularly about their child's academic performance and school curriculum. Notices and announcements will be written in English and Spanish to promote the inclusion and engagement of all families within our community.

Forms of Communication:

- Progress Reports
- Report Cards
- Online Grades
- Student Take-Home Folders
- Parent Conferences
- Telephone Calls
- Emails
- Texts
- Remind
- USE Website
- Fliers
- Marquee
- Twitter
- Facebook



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Workshops and trainings will be made available to educators and parents to address specific identified needs. Events and resources will be provided throughout the year to give parents information and tools to help their children be successful academically, physically and socially. Local area businesses are encouraged to become business partners and may contribute by volunteering time, money and/or additional resources that benefit the programs at USE.

Opportunities for parents to participate in their child's education are as follows-

Day Events:

- Watch D.O.G.S. (Dads of Great Students) Kickoff
- Pastries with Parents
- VIPS (Volunteers in Public Schools)
- Class parties in Fall & Spring
- Field Days
- Junior Achievement
- Learning Celebrations
- KEYS Mentors (Keep Encouraging Youth Toward Success)
- Parent Resource Section in the Library

After School Events:

- CAT (Campus Advisory Team) Meetings at 5:30 p.m.
- Open House/Parent Orientation
- Meet the Teacher Night
- Musical and Acting Performances
- PTA (Parent Teacher Association)
- Family Events (STREAM Night, Fitness Night, International Festival, Spirit Nights at local businesses)
- Fundraisers