

Bayside Tri-Campus Family Engagement Policy 2014-2015

The Bayside Tri-Campus Schools' Title I Family Engagement Policy promotes partnerships between parents and teachers to support communications and participation with the schools and the community. We will build parental involvement through a variety of family activities designed to enhance each student's academic success and social development. The activities will be coordinated with various organizations which may include the PTA, Partners in Education, the Title I departments, and schools' action teams, among others.

* Our plan was presented to, and approved by, the Bayside Tri-Campus School Planning Council. It is available on each school's website as well as at each school's building.

* This plan can be amended if presented to, and approved by, the SPC.

*This plan falls in line with our district Title I Parental Involvement policy.

*If this plan is not satisfactory parents can submit suggestions to the district.

*Parents are notified of school events in advance through such means as the websites, weekly folders, special flyers, the schools' marquees, and the "AlertNow" telephone system.

*Teachers will follow the VBCPS curriculum which can be found online at www.vbschools.com and can be reviewed at each school site.

*Parents will be provided results of children's performance as directed by VBCPS through such methods as report cards, progress reports, teacher/parent conferences, etc.

The plan will include:

- Ongoing quality two-way communications between parents and teachers will be provided through regular use of parent conferences, distribution of teacher-parent newsletters, school parent newsletters, and Title I newsletters.
- Parents will be provided with the results of their child's performance as directed by VBCPS. Methods will include report cards, progress reports, calls from teachers and papers being sent home regularly in the Parent Communication Folder.
- A School, Teacher, Parent/Guardian, Student Compact has been developed by the School Planning Council and will be distributed to students and parents.
- Results of assessment devices administered by the division to measure student performance (SOL/Stanford 10) will be provided to parents in writing to include a description as to what the data shows. Additionally, assessment data (such as classroom quizzes, classroom tests, student portfolios, etc.) will be presented to parents during parent/teacher conferences. During these conferences the assessment data will be compared with the students' work performance.

- *Activities for the campus to involve parents and families include: Meet and Greet, Open House (including PTA/Title I Annual meeting, August 2014), School Lunch Week visits (October 2014), Tri-Campus Dinner with Dads (Bettie F Williams, November 2014), Tri-Campus Holiday Program (Bayside High, December 2014), Tri-Campus Black History Program (February 2015), Tri-Campus Spring Concert, Systematic Training Involving Parents (STEP Program- beginning 2014), Tri-Campus Leadership Day (June 2015) and quarterly SPC/ PTA meetings. Specifically each school will have activities unique to their situation which include, but are not limited to:*
 - *Diamond Springs Elementary (K, 1): Grandparents Lunch Visit, Library Family Night Out (September), Breakfast with Santa (December), Reading Month (January), Black History Program (Feb.), Title I Parent Focus Groups, Monthly Leadership Assemblies, Quarterly Library Honor Rolls, Student of the Month, Math Month for Parents (March), Quarterly Struggling Students Workshops, Reading and Math Workshops (1st and 2nd Semester)*
 - *Newtown Elementary (2,3): Math Synergy Swap Day, Honor Roll Ceremonies, Math Hour of Power, Pastries for Parents/Muffins for Mom/Doughnuts with Dad, Eagle of the Month, BEAR Reading Volunteers, Marlin's Read and Marlin's Math Volunteers, Boys Breakfast Club for 2nd and 3rd Grade, Gems and Pearls Girls Clubs, Newtown Nuggets Cheerleaders, Dance Team, Percussion Team, Hour of Power, Eagle Artist, Ruby Tuesday Night, Newtown Cross Trainers, Parents Fit for Change Program, Hero Program, Be Kind, Do Kind sponsored by CHKD*
 - *Bettie F. Williams Elementary (4, 5): Eagle of the Month Ceremonies, Honor Roll Programs, DARE, Eagles Excel in Education Program (Triple E Program), Math and Literacy Nights, SOL Fall Festival, Muffins with Mom, Donuts with Dad, Watch D.O.G.S, Family Fitness Nights, Eagles Mentoring Program, Eagles Soaring From One Hand To Another (NASA), 21st Century Learning Program, Beach Bags, Pillows and PJ's, Eagles Teaching Garden (AmeriGroup & American Heart Association), Eagles Shoes that Fit (Rack Room), 95.7 Holiday Drive. I am the One, and Navigators Anti Bullying Program (Virginia Beach Department of Human Services).*

The effectiveness of the policy to build strong parental involvement will be measured through parent surveys, and evaluation forms that will evaluate the effectiveness of activities and solicit future suggestions.