

## Bullock Elementary School Parent Involvement Policy 2018-19

Bullock Elementary School recognizes that a child's education is a responsibility shared by the school and family during the entire period the child spends in school. To support the goal that all children succeed academically and in life, the school and parents must work together as partners.

An annual meeting will be held to inform parents of the school's participation in Title I, to explain the Title I requirements and the right of parents to be involved. The school will invite all parents and will encourage them to attend.

The Annual Title I Meeting for the 2018-19 school year will be held on

## Thursday, September 13th at 5:45 p.m. Meet the Teacher Night

Parents will be involved in the planning, review, and improvement of the school's parental involvement policy and in the development of the schoolwide program in an organized, ongoing, and timely way.

- Volunteers will be recruited to serve on the Campus Improvement Team (CIT) and Parent Teacher Association (PTA) Board.
- > The CIT and PTA Board will be responsible for the joint development of the school wide plan and the Parental Involvement Policy.
- ➤ The CIT and PTA Board will meet to address campus needs as they relate to the schoolwide plan and the Parental Involvement Policy.
- Parents will be given the opportunity to comment on the schoolwide plan and Parental Involvement Policy when they are made public to the community.
- An annual review, evaluation, and revision of the Parental Involvement Policy and schoolwide plan will occur in the spring semester and will include parents through surveys and a focus group as well as the CIT.

All information about Bullock Elementary Title I programs will be provided to parents in a uniform format that is easy to understand. Upon request, parents

with disabilities will be provided information in alternative formats whenever reasonably possible. Parents will receive information in a language they can understand whenever reasonably possible. Parents should expect to receive information in the following ways:

- Phone calls
- > School Website www.garlandisd.net/bullock
- > Twitter
- > Weekly emails from homeroom teacher
- > School Flyers
- > School Messenger calls
- > School meetings
- Agenda spirals and take-home folders
- > Remind

Information provided to parents about the Title I programs includes a description and explanation of the school's curriculum, assessments, and achievement levels which children are expected to reach. The school will give parents this information in the following ways:

- > The Annual Title I meeting
- Regular parent teacher conferences—Conferences may be scheduled during the teacher's conference period or before or after school. One late night parent/teacher conference will be held in the fall and in the spring.
- > Family Nights throughout the year
- > AVID take home binder/folder every Tuesday
- Weekly emails from homeroom teacher
- Progress reports
- > Report Cards

- > ISIP, MAP, Standardized Testing, and other data reports
- Each parent will be provided a report about their child's performance on the State assessment in Reading and Math (3<sup>rd</sup>-5<sup>th</sup>), Writing (4<sup>th</sup>) and Science (5<sup>th</sup>) and on MAP testing.

Opportunities for regular meetings for parents to give suggestions and to participate, as appropriate, in decisions about the education of their children will be provided at the parent's request. The school will respond to any such suggestions in a timely manner. Parents who make requests will be given the opportunity to meet:

- Through conferences with the child's teacher Conferences may be scheduled during the teacher's conference period or before or after school. One late night parent/teacher conference will be held in the fall and in the spring.
- Through meetings with the student's teacher and other staff as appropriate
- > Through meetings with the Student Support Team
- > Through prearranged meetings with the Title I Parent Involvement Liaison

If parents wish to make a request for a meeting with the principal, Student Support Team or Title I Parent Involvement Liaison, they will need to contact the office and they will be directed to the appropriate contact person.

Bullock Elementary School will give the district any written parent comments if the schoolwide plan is not satisfactory to parents of children attending Bullock Elementary School

Parents of children attending Bullock Elementary School may submit comments in writing to their child's teacher, the Title I Parent Involvement Liaison, or the principal.

Forms are located and may be completed in the main office. Once forms are completed, the Title I Parent Involvement Liaison will determine any action that needs to take place and will send the form on to district level administration.

In order to build and support a strong partnership among the school, parents, and community, and to improve student achievement, we will do the following:

Bullock Elementary School will help parents better understand the state and district standards, the assessments and how to monitor their child's progress in the following ways

- Regular parent teacher conferences Conferences may be scheduled during the teacher's conference period or before or after school. One late night parent/teacher conference will be held in the fall and in the spring.
- > Family Nights throughout the year
- > Information given to parents in the Tuesday folder
- > Weekly emails from homeroom teacher
- Progress reports
- > Report Cards
- Success Folders will be sent home after each Curriculum Assessment/Benchmark and at progress and report card time.
- Each parent will be provided a report about their child's performance on the State assessment in Reading and Math (3<sup>rd</sup>-5<sup>th</sup>), Writing (4<sup>th</sup>) and Science (5<sup>th</sup>).

Materials and training to help parents work with their child will be provided.

- Parent Night / Open House September
- > Online Skyward / Gradebook Training Parent Night in December
- > 2<sup>nd</sup> Cup of Coffee for Bullock Families
- Math/Science Night March
- > The Tuesday folder
- > Agenda spirals and take-home binders/folders
- Weekly emails from homeroom teacher

- Work Habits and Social Development form
- > Homework
- Imagine learning from home
- School website links to Online Resources
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Professional development for teachers, principals, and other school staff, will be provided, with the help of parents, in the following areas:

- > The value of working with parents and the ways that parents help their children achieve and support the school
- > How to reach out to parents
- > How to communicate with parents
- > How to work with parents as equal partners
- ➤ How to implement and coordinate parent programs
- > How to build ties between parents and the school

We will use parent expertise to assist with campus needs. We will provide a survey to parents at our spring Parent Teacher Night that will give parents the opportunity to give ideas for future teacher/staff Professional Development.

The campus Parent Involvement Liaison will make sure that information related to school and parent programs, meetings, and other activities is sent in a format that parents can easily understand, and whenever reasonably possible, in a language that parents can understand.

Copies of flyers, phone messages, and other notices will be kept as documentation by the Title I Parent Involvement Liaison Reasonable support for parental involvement activities will be provided.

- Funds set aside for parental involvement will be spent on the agreed upon activities
- > Materials and refreshments will be provided when possible
- Boy Scout/Girl Scout Troop rallies and sign-up night can be conducted on our campus
- We will support and promote High School's Fall Carnival for surrounding schools
- > We will collaborate and work with PTA on all school events.
- > Parents will be invited to Awards Assemblies at the end of the six weeks and phone calls will be made to promote positive contact.
- > Positive calls to parents throughout the year.
- > Appreciate parent volunteers

Volunteers will be trained to assist with parental involvement activities.

- > Campus Volunteer Training by Ms. Riley
- > PTA Volunteers by Mrs. Davila

For parents who are unable to attend parental involvement activities at school, home visits, and meetings at alternative locations will be provided.

Our campus is a neighborhood campus with no school busses other than our special education school busses. Therefore, all after school activities are within walking distance of our families.

Upon request, parents who are not able to attend parental involvement activities will be sent home the information that was reviewed. Requests may be made to the Parent Involvement Liaison. Home visits for parents with disabilities will be arranged by appointment. Parents who need to request a home visit may contact the Title I Parent Involvement Liaison or their child's teacher.

Community organizations and businesses are encouraged to participate in parental involvement activities.

- We will recruit local businesses to volunteer on our Campus Improvement Team
- Partnerships with organizations and businesses are coordinated through the GEF Foundation

Bullock Elementary School is committed to the success of students. We will work together with parents to make sure that our Title I program is effective in developing students who achieve and excel.

Shared Responsibilities for High Student Academic Achievement:

As a part of the Campus Parent Involvement Policy, a School-Parent Compact will be developed jointly with parents. This compact will outline how parents, the entire school staff, and students will work together for improved student achievement.