

Parent Involvement Policy

K-12

STATEMENT OF PURPOSE

Lake Preston School District is dedicated to providing a quality education for every student in our district. To accomplish this objective, the district will develop and maintain partnerships with parents/guardians, patrons, and community members. Lake Preston School District will involve parents/guardians in all aspects of the various local, state, and federal programs offered in Lake Preston School District. Our children benefit when school, home, and community work together to promote high achievement.

PARENT INVOLVEMENT IN POLICY DEVELOPMENT

Annually parents and school staff will work to revise and improve the District and School Parent Involvement Policies. Lake Preston School District will work to publicize and actively recruit the participation of our parents/guardians.

ANNUAL DISTRICT TITLE 1 MEETING

Lake Preston School District uses Title 1 funds to provide school wide services for students. Lake Preston School District will hold at least one meeting annually to review Title 1, Part A parent involvement guidelines and services offered through the district. Copies of the District Parent Involvement Policy and a School Compact will be distributed and discussed at the meeting. Parents/guardians will be encouraged to become involved in revising and updating the policy as necessary and parent volunteers will be recruited for various district committee appointments.

The meeting will be held at a convenient time and location. Notice of the meeting will be provided through invitation to parents/guardians and public notices. Accommodations will be made for non-English speaking parents/guardians.

SCHOOL COMPACTS

In accordance with Title 1 regulations, parent representatives will evaluate annually and revise if needed, the School Compact. The compact will identify ways the school, parents/guardians, and students can share the responsibility for student performance and success.

A copy of the School Compact detailing these responsibilities will be made available on the school district's website and upon request. Parent/student signatures will not be

required; however, parents are encouraged to discuss the contents of the compact with their child(ren).

PARENT INVOLVEMENT OPPORTUNITIES

Title 1 schools will support many varied ways of parental involvement as it strives to develop and maintain an optimum learning environment for all students. Parents and community members may contribute through volunteering at school and by creating a supportive environment. Parents and community members' suggestions for improving the school are encouraged and welcome.

STAFF/PARENT COMMUNICATIONS

Newsletters, conferences, personal contacts and written notices will be utilized in English and Spanish to establish and maintain an open line of communication. In addition, the Lake Preston School District website will be kept up-to-date in an effort to inform families.

Staff members will make every effort to communicate positively and work effectively with parents and community members.

EVALUATION

Parents and school staff will be given the opportunity to review the effectiveness of the district and school parent involvement policies and programs based on a needs assessment and offer suggestions for improvement.

CONCLUDING STATEMENT

Lake Preston School District is committed to the success of students. We will work together with parents to monitor the effectiveness of our Parental Involvement and Title 1 Program in order to provide excellence in education. This policy will be promoted by administrators and other school staff as we seek active participation by our parents.