



## FT HANCOCK ISD Family Engagement Plan 2023-2024

All school districts receiving Federal Title I, Part A funds are required under Section 1112 of the Every Student Succeeds Act (ESSA) to develop a written parent involvement plan for the district to explain how the school district supports the important role of families in the education of their children and the action steps the district will take to facilitate family support in promoting the academic success of students. This plan, as outlined below, complies with this statute.

| REQUIREMENT: The District will ...                                                                                                                                                                                 | PLAN: District support and action steps ...                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                 |
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| <p>1.<br/><b>Involve</b> parents in the joint development of the Title I program plan, including the Parent Involvement Policy (section 1112) and the process of school review and improvement (section 1116);</p> | <p>1.<br/>Fort Hancock Independent School District, in collaboration with parents and the community, will provide its students a safe and effective learning environment with opportunities to develop into responsible and successful citizens. We will achieve this shared vision by focusing on:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● building critical thinkers</li> <li>● life-long learners of good character</li> <li>● confidence</li> <li>● leadership</li> </ul> <p>Ft Hancock ISD believes that families are integral partners with school personnel in the education of their children. We promote active family engagement and empower families to support their students.</p> <p>Ft Hancock ISD will accomplish this by Cultivating Talent, Building Community and Re-imagining Learning including, Family/Community resource centers, adult literacy and GED programs, parent liaisons, and home visits that will help improve parenting skills. Families/guardians will meet with district personnel at least once a year to review and revise the district and campus family engagement plans. Such meetings will be scheduled at convenient times and locations to support active participation in the comprehensive review of the plans and family engagement programs. Families will be informed about the meetings through multiple communication methods.</p> |



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| REQUIREMENT: The District will ...                                                                                                                                                                                                                                   | PLAN: District support and action steps ...                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                          |
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| <p>2.<br/><b>Provide</b> the coordination, technical assistance, and other support necessary to assist participating schools in planning and implementing effective family engagement activities to improve student academic achievement and school performance;</p> | <p>2.<br/>Ft. Hancock ISD will provide coordination, technical assistance, and support through campus site visits performed by district staff with the purpose of serving in an advisory capacity to campuses. Ft. Hancock ISD will provide support staff and access to a parenting resources that promotes connections between home and school.</p> |



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**Build** the schools' and parents' capacity for strong family engagement –
- a) **Assist parents** of the children being served in understanding state standards, district and school assessments, and how to monitor a child's progress.
  
  - b) **Provide materials and training** to help parents work with their children, such as literacy training and using technology.

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- 3.
- a) Ft. Hancock ISD is committed to building trust and partnerships with families to better understand the state's academic content standards, Texas Pre- K Guidelines, TEKS (Texas Essential Knowledge and Skills) and state and local academic assessments (i.e. CIRCLE, STAAR, TELPAS and Learning Assessments). The Title I program requires the monitoring of a student's progress to develop the whole learner. School-Family events (In person and/ or using a virtual platform) parent-teacher conferences, written or electronic communication (i.e. report cards or progress reports) may be used to serve this purpose.
  
  - b) Ft. Hancock ISD campuses will provide materials and targeted training as needed in order to empower families to support their children at home to improve overall achievement. A variety of programs and materials will be offered for parents/ guardians based on the identified needs of each campus.



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- c) **Educate teachers, pupil services personnel**, principals, and other staff, with the assistance of parents, in the value and utility of contributions of parents, and in how to reach out to, communicate with, and work with parents as equal partners, implement and coordinate parent programs, and build ties between parents and the school.
- d) **Coordinate and integrate, to the extent feasible and appropriate**, family engagement strategies under other programs, such as the Head Start program, Reading First program, and other relevant programs. The department also encourages schools and Local Education Agencies to develop appropriate roles for community organizations.

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- 3.
- c) Ft. Hancock ISD campuses will hold an annual meeting with staff members. Meetings will be held with families to inform them about Title I elements and requirements as well as the family engagement programs that will provide opportunities for continuous engagement and improvement.
- d) Ft. Hancock ISD campuses will involve community organizations in family engagement activities when possible and will participate in programs that will benefit families and students.

- e) **Ensure** that information related to school and parent programs, meetings, and other activities is sent to the parents of participating children in a format and, to the extent practical, in a language the parents can understand.
- f) **Provide reasonable support** for family engagement activities.

- e) Ft. Hancock ISD campuses will offer family meetings, family events, and conferences (In person and/ or using a virtual platform) at different times during the day to accommodate the needs of families. Families will be informed through multiple communication methods and in a language they can understand.
- f) Title I, Part A funds are available to campuses for approved family engagement activities. Such activities could include resources and materials.



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| <p>4.<br/><b>Coordinate</b> and integrate family engagement (<i>See District Requirement 3.d</i>)</p> | <p>4.<br/>Ft. Hancock ISD will support family engagement activities to develop and provide its students a safe and effective learning environment with opportunities to develop into responsible and successful citizens.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Families are encouraged to participate through volunteer programs at school and to create a supportive home atmosphere which promotes the profile of a learner.</li><li>• Each school will provide family engagement activities designed to meet the unique needs of the students, families, and community.</li><li>• The annual evaluation data will be used in the planning of effective programs. This will aid in the building of relationship driven, results focused, intentional, and personalized student-owned activities.</li><li>• Research-based resources for families will be offered and implemented at campuses. These resources will provide families with the tools necessary to support their children's education and increase their academic achievement.</li></ul> |



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| <p>5.<br/><b>Conduct</b> with parents an <b>annual evaluation</b> of the content and effectiveness of the Parent Involvement Policy in improving the academic quality of the schools served under this part, including:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>● <b>identify</b> barriers to greater participation by parents in activities authorized by this section (with particular attention to parents who are economically disadvantaged, are disabled, have limited English proficiency, have limited literacy, or are of any racial or ethnic minority background)</li><li>● <b>use</b> the findings of the evaluation to design strategies for more effective parent involvement</li><li>● <b>revise</b> parent involvement policy/procedures as necessary</li></ul> | <p>5.<br/>Ft Hancock ISD will conduct an annual evaluation survey to identify strengths and growth opportunities for the procedures in place. The survey results will be used to assist in the campus planning process, including the development of the Campus Improvement Plans and Campus Needs Assessments that will be shared with DIP &amp; CIP committees. These plans will be used by campus leadership teams to outline the activities that will address their specific needs to ensure that every student enters with a promise and exits with a purpose.</p> |



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| <p>6.<br/><b>Involve parents</b> in the activities of the schools served under Title I, Part A</p> | <p>6.<br/>Families will have the opportunity to participate and collaborate in the Title I programs, Family Engagement Plans, campus specific Family-School Compacts. One meeting will be held annually to revise this plan.</p> <p>Every family and community members are always welcome in our schools to collaborate with our campuses to make every student in our district a successful learner. Ft Hancock ISD will provide a variety of opportunities (In person and/ or using a virtual platform) to engage in two-way communication for regular meetings, course sessions, and workshops to ensure that every student succeeds.</p> |
| <p>7.<br/><b>Reservation of Funds</b></p>                                                          | <p>7.<br/>Ft Hancock ISD is required to set aside at least 1% of its Title I funds for the purpose of family engagement. These funds will be divided among the three campuses. The campus principal will consult with the parent representative of the campus decision making committee about the use of the funds. The campus principal will then request Title I funding approval for the designated family engagement activities.</p>                                                                                                                                                                                                     |

This Parent & Family Engagement Plan was developed jointly with and agreed upon by community members and parents of children attending campuses with Title I, Part A programs. The plan was adopted by the **FT HANCOCK ISD Parent & Family Engagement Advisory Committee** on October 31, 2023 and will be in effect for the **2023-2024 school year**. The school district will distribute this plan to all parents/guardians of children no later than **November 30, 2023**. The plan will be reviewed annually and revised as necessary. For more information, please contact Yvonne Samaniego, Federal Programs **Director**- Ft Hancock ISD Family Engagement(Ph: 915-769-1607) [ysamaniego@fhisd.net](mailto:ysamaniego@fhisd.net)