

PIUTE MIDDLE SCHOOL



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Piute Middle School School-Level Family Engagement Policy

This policy describes the means of carrying out designated Title I, Part A parent and family engagement requirements pursuant to ESSA Section 1116(c).

Piute Middle School has developed a written Title I, Part A parental involvement policy with input from Title I parents. The school site annually involves parents in the joint development and agreement of the policy, which is reviewed as part of Single Plan for Student Achievement (SPSA) and through site advisory groups, i.e., School Site Council (SSC), African American Advisory Council (AAAC), and English Learner Advisory Committee (ELAC). The policy is updated periodically to meet the changing needs of parents and the school (ESSA Section 1116(b)[1]). It has distributed the policy to parents of Title I students. The policy will be provided in the informational materials that are distributed to parents at the beginning of the year. The policy describes the means for carrying out the following Title I parental involvement requirements [20 USC 6318 Section 1118(a)-(f) inclusive].

Involvement of Parents in the Title I Program

To involve parents in the Title I program at Piute Middle School the following practices have been established:

The school convenes an annual meeting to inform parents of Title I students about Title I, Part A requirements, and about the right of parents to be involved in the Title I, Part A program (ESSA Section 1116(c)[1]).

- *During the annual meeting at Back to School night in August.*
- *During the annual meeting at Parent/Teacher Conferences in October.*
- *During the annual meeting at Open House in April.*

The school offers a flexible number of meetings for Title I, Part A parents, such as meetings in the morning or evening (ESSA Section 1116(c)[2]).

- *A flexible number of meetings will be held at varying times based on parent needs and will include child-care and translation services if needed.*

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The school involves parents of Title I, Part A students in an organized, ongoing, and timely way, in the planning, review, and improvement of the school's Title I, Part A programs and the Title I, Part A parental involvement policy (ESSA Section 1116(c)[2]).

- *An annual survey (YouthTruth) of parents is conducted to assess needs, determine barriers, and evaluate the effectiveness of the parent involvement activities.*
- *Included as part of the annual review of the Single Plan for Student Achievement (SPSA) through School Site Council (SSC), English Learner Advisory Committee (ELAC), and African American Advisory Council (AAAC).*

The school provides parents of Title I, Part A students with timely information about Title I, Part A programs (ESSA Section 1116(c)(4)[A]).

- *Through parent newsletters, Back-to-School nights, SSC, ELAC, and AAAC.*

The school provides parents of Title I, Part A students with an explanation of the curriculum used at the school, the assessments used to measure student progress, and the proficiency levels students are expected to meet (ESSA Section 1116 [c][4][B]).

- *At parent-teacher conferences, assessment information on student academic progress and grade-level standards are shared with parents. Student progress in relation to state and priority standards and will be explained to parents including curriculum being used, grade-level expectations for proficiency, data reporting for CAASPP and local assessments, and available intervention in reading, language arts, English language development, and mathematics for students needing assistance.*

If requested by parents of Title I, Part A students, the school provides opportunities for regular meetings that allow the parents to participate in decisions relating to the education of their children (ESSA 1116 [c][4][C]).

- *Through informal parent requests for meetings, 504 meetings, parent-teacher conferences, Back-to-School nights, SSC, ELAC, and AAAC.*

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