

Westview High School
Parent and Family Engagement Plan
2023-2024

The Westview High School Parent and Family Engagement Plan has been developed and reviewed by families of participating Title I students. This plan will be distributed annually and will be available to our community and families via our school website. It will be reviewed and adjusted every year in order to ensure that families are in active participation with staff in structuring a successful atmosphere for student learning and activities. The names of individuals involved in the development and maintenance of this policy are located in the parent and family engagement notebook.

The faculty and staff at Westview High School welcome all families into the school community by scheduling parent-teacher conferences twice per year, which are scheduled with family convenience in mind. These meetings as well as progress reports and report cards help to ensure that families are informed and enabled to be advocates for their children. School staff engages families in regular, meaningful communication by maintaining an up-to-date website and posting events in the local newspaper. A Freshman parent orientation and four year planning sessions are just a few examples of school and staff working together with families to support student learning and success. It is our goal at Westview to assure that each student has opportunities to strengthen their knowledge and skills effectively in an environment that fosters the desire for students to want to attend school in a consistent and punctual manner. To assure that school staff and families are equal partners with equal representation, parents are invited to become members the parent advisory board. Staff and families share the power, as together they, inform, influence, and create polices, practices, and programs. In carrying out parent and family engagement requirements, it is the goal at Westview High School to provide full opportunities and reasonable support for the participation of families to the extent practicable.

Westview High School also collaborates with the community to connect students to expanded learning through extracurricular activities such as Anchor and Key Club. Some of our students receive mentoring from our Athletic, FFA Alumni, Band Boosters, and The Charger Foundation. The community is welcomed into our school to enjoy the annual Veteran's Day Program, as well as our band concerts that are offered at no charge.

In closing, Westview High School believes and embraces the Parent and Family Engagement Standards that are based on the PTA National Standards for Family-School Partnerships. These standards, listed below, were adopted on July 30, 2010.

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Standard 1: **Welcoming all families into the school community**-Families are active participants in the life of the school, and are to feel welcomed, valued, and connected to each other, to school staff, and to what students are learning and doing in class and school.

Standard 2: **Communicating effectively**-Families and school staff engage in regular, meaningful communication about student learning.

Standard 3: **Supporting student success**-Families and school staff continuously work together to support students' learning and healthy development both at home and at school, and have regular opportunities to strengthen their knowledge and skills to do so effectively.

Standard 4: **Speaking up for every child**-Families are informed and enabled to be advocates for their own and other children, to ensure that students are treated fairly, and have access to learning opportunities that will support their success.

Standard 5: **Sharing power**-Families and school staff are equal partners with equal representation in decisions that affect students and families. Together they are empowered to inform, influence, and create policies, practices, and programs.

Standard 6: **Collaborating with community**-Families and school staff work together with community members to connect students, families, and staff to expanded learning opportunities, community services, and civic part.

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