

# District Parent and Family Engagement Policy



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Hart County Schools recognizes our students' families and local community members as essential partners in helping each student succeed. We commit ourselves to:

- Sharing information about student progress with the student's family.
- Offering practical suggestions to families on how they can support student learning at home.
- Including parent and family representation on our District Advisory Council (DAC), and in our decision-making process.

A presentation on the Title I, Part A program and parents' right to be involved will be shared at each school during the beginning of school activities each year. In addition to the annual meeting information regarding Title I will be available in the student handbook and on the school's webpage. A Parent/School Compact will be sent home with each child that outlines the partnership agreements between school staff, the parent/guardian and the student.

Each year the district will host a parent and family engagement event, such as the annual District Literacy Event. This event will encourage parents/guardians to sign their child(en) up for the summer reading program. Students will receive free books and parents will receive tips and strategies to help prevent the summer slide. Each Title I school will also host parent and family engagement activities annually.

Each school will select two parent representatives to serve on the DAC committee each year. This committee will meet quarterly throughout the school year (4 times/year) to discuss and make decisions based on District/School Title I programming. All parents will have the opportunity to provide feedback on the policy through an end-of-year evaluation survey and a policy development/revision meeting held in May. Each Title I school will also have a Title I School Advisory Council (SAC) to oversee schoolwide programming.

Any comments or concerns regarding Hart County's Parent and Family Engagement Policy may be submitted to Hart County's Federal Programs' Coordinator, Kristin Froedge.

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