Bryan ISD
Policy and Procedures for
Family Engagement

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Definition and Board Policies Related to Family Engagement

Conduct, with the meaningful involvement of parents and family members, an annual evaluation of the content and effectiveness of the parent and family engagement policy in improving the academic quality of all schools served under Title I, Part A, including identifying:

a. Barriers to greater participation by parents in activities authorized by section 6318 (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);

b. The needs of parents and family members to assist with the learning of their children, including engaging with school personnel and teachers; and

c. Strategies to support successful school and family interactions;

Purpose

Research shows the way. Family and community involvement can have a powerful and positive impact on student outcomes. According to A New Wave of Evidence: The Impact of School, Family and Community Connections on Student Achievement, a research review published by the Southwest Educational Development Laboratory in 2002, students with involved parents, no matter what their income or background, are more likely to:

- Earn higher grades and test scores, and enroll in higher-level programs;
- Be promoted, pass their classes, and earn credits;
- Attend school regularly;
- Have better social skills, show improved behavior, and adapt well to school;
- and Graduate and go on to post secondary education.

A solid body of research finds that families of all income and education levels, and from all ethnic and cultural groups, support their children's learning at home. Families with more income and education, however, tend to be more engaged at school and have more resources to help their children at home. Supporting all families to be more involved at school and better informed about what children are learning in class must become a widely-used strategy for improving learning and addressing the achievement gap.
2019-2020 Parent and Family Engagement Policy

The District Parent and Family Engagement (PFE) Policy sets the expectations for parent and family engagement in Bryan ISD. It works to fulfill Bryan ISD's vision of "Children First. Always." The District seeks to collaborate with parents as full partners in the learning and development of their children through the following methods.

The Bryan ISD Parent and Family Engagement Policy is evaluated and updated annually with the help of parents. The 2019-20 policy is the result of an evaluation involving parents at the Bryan ISD District Educational Improvement Committee on April 11, 2019.
# Useful Websites & Resources

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<td>● Links to district-recommended websites/resources</td>
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<td>Facilitating Learning at Home</td>
<td>● Homework Tips * Imagine Math * Fastt Math * Google Classrooms</td>
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<td>Schoolwork &amp; Homework</td>
<td>● Home Access Center - Student Grades * Response to Intervention * Mathnasium of Bryan * Sylvan</td>
<td>HAC * RTI &amp; Family Involvement * Mathnasium * Sylvan Learning</td>
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<td>Student Goal-setting &amp; Post-Secondary Options</td>
<td>● College Board: Explore your interests and take the time to find a college that will put you on a path to a bright future.</td>
<td>My Big Future</td>
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<td>Family Friendly &amp; Welcoming Culture</td>
<td>● Edutopia</td>
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<td>Volunteers in the Schools</td>
<td>● Parent Portal</td>
<td>Volunteer Application Page</td>
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# Medical Community Resources

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<th>Greene Eyes: Takes Medicaid</th>
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<th>725 E Villa Maria Rd #1500, Bryan, TX 77802 (979) 775-4900</th>
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<td>Health For All: A free clinic for the uninsured. Does not take Medicaid.</td>
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<td>3030 East 29th Street, Suite 111, Bryan, TX 77802 (979) 774-4176</td>
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<td>Health Point: Offers medical and dental services for all ages. Takes Medicaid and provides services on a sliding scale for uninsured</td>
<td>Health Point</td>
<td>3370 S. Texas Ave., Suite B, Bryan, TX 77802 (979) 695-3400</td>
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| **The Bridge Ministries:**  
Free walk-in clinic. Open on the 1st and 3rd Tuesday of every month from 5:30 - 7:00 PM | **The Bridge Ministries**  
408 E 24th St, Bryan, TX 77803  
(979) 704-6037 |
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| **Mobile Dental:**  
Mobile dental care run through Health Point. Charges on a sliding fee scale based on income. | **Mobile Dental**  
3370 S. Texas Ave. Bryan, TX - 77802  
(979)-595-1700 |
| **BVFB Benefits Assistance:**  
Help clients sign up for Medicaid and other assistance programs | **BVFB Benefits Assistance**  
1501 Independence Avenue, Bryan, Texas 77803  
(979)779-3663 |
| **Brazos County Health Department:**  
Multiple services include immunizations and testing/STD Testing | **Brazos County Health Department**  
201 North Texas Avenue, Bryan, Texas 77803  
979-361-4440 |
| **Kool Smiles:**  
Dental care, takes Texas Medicaid and CHIP | **Kool Smiles**  
3111 S. Texas Ave, Bryan, TX 77802  
(979) 314-1505 |
| **St. Vincent de Paul:**  
Can help pay for eyeglasses, as well as other assistance | **St. Vincent de Paul**  
300 N Main St, Bryan, TX 77803  
(979) 775-2273 |
| **Brazos Health Resource Center:**  
Broad resource assistance to families in poverty experiencing medical issues | **Brazos Health Resource Center**  
4001 E 29th St suite 185, Bryan, TX 77802  
(979) 690-4845 |
| **HOPE Pregnancy Resource and Testing4U (2 locations):**  
Pregnancy testing and support. Free and confidential sexual health testing | **HOPE Pregnancy**  
205 Brentwood Dr., College Station, TX 77840  
Testing4U  
(979) 695-9193 |
| **The County Indigent Health Care Program**  
Helps low-income Texas residents who don’t qualify for other state or federal healthcare programs have access to health care services. Vaccines, Medical screening services, Annual physical examinations, inpatient and outpatient hospital visits, Laboratory and radiology Skilled nursing facility services. | **The County Indigent Health Care Program**  
800-222-3986  
county indigent health care program |
# Mental Health and Wellness Resources

| **Rock Prairie Behavioral:** | 3550 Normand Drive, College Station, TX 77845  
Rock Prairie Behavioral  
979-703-8848 |
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<td>This is an inpatient facility serving ages 12 and above for patients who require acute care with psychiatric, mental or behavior challenges. Free assessments and admissions are provided 24/7.</td>
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| **Texas A&M Counseling and Assessment Clinic:** | 3370 South Texas Avenue  
Bryan, Texas 77802  
Texas A&M Counseling and Assessment Clinic  
Phone: (979) 595-1770 |
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<td>A community based clinic that provides counseling services to low-income families in the Brazos Valley. This is a training facility headed by psychologists who practice evidence-based therapy and work with school-aged children and up. They charge on a sliding fee scale based on income.</td>
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| **Mental Health Mental Retardation (MHMR):** | 804 Texas Ave, Bryan, TX 77803  
Mental Health Mental Retardation (MHMR)  
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<td>Non-profit organization which provides family, group and individual counseling for children aged 3-17 with a serious emotional or behavior disorder. Children on Medicaid take priority when setting up appointments and they also charge on a sliding fee schedule.</td>
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| **NAMI Brazos Valley - National Alliance on Mental Illness:** | 3705 S College Ave, Bryan, TX, 77801  
NAMI Brazos Valley  
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<td>Promotes mental health awareness and provides education, support, and advocacy tools to those with mental illness and their families.</td>
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| **BVCASA- Brazos Valley Council on Alcohol and Substance Abuse:** | 4001 E. 29th St. Suite 90, Bryan, TX 77802  
BVCASA  
979-846-3560 |
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<td>Provides services for those with alcohol or substance abuse. They have outpatient services for children ages 13-17 and adults. Screening is available when called.</td>
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| **Twin City Mission Youth and Family Services - STAR** | 3806 Old College Road  
Bryan, TX 77801  
(979)260-7336 |
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| This referral is online: [https://www.twincitymission.org/youth-family-services](https://www.twincitymission.org/youth-family-services)  
It is located under the section Providing Counseling, Life Skills, Group and Prevention Services. I will also attach the referral. All of the information except the social security number need to be filled out. You can then scan and email the form totcmyfs@twincitymission.org or fax it to 979-260-7576. |
| **Oakwood Collaborative: A Counseling and Assessment Center**  
They work with children, adolescents and families. They take insurance, but if the family does not have insurance, they will use a sliding scale. There is a form that can be submitted online, printed and faxed or in person. After the form is filled out, they will speak with insurance then call the family to set up an appointment. They also do DDS/DARS evaluations.  
They work with: depression, anxiety, autism, ADHD, behavior concerns, stress management, acculturation issues, grief loss, self-care, relationship concerns, personal growth, GLBT, phase of life (adjustment to thing life such as divorce of parents), identity development, puberty | 207 Rock Prairie  
College Station, TX 77845  
979-229-7636  
http://www.oakwoodcounseling.com/ |
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| **Texas A&M College of Medicine Telebehavioral Care**  
Free Counseling Service | 8441 Riverside Parkway  
Clinical Building 1 Suite 1400  
Bryan, TX 77807  
979-436-0600  
https://medicine.tamhs.edu/departments/psychiatry/telehealth.html |
| **Texas A&M Outpatient Psychiatry and Behavioral Care**  
The **Outpatient Psychiatry Clinic** at Texas A&M College of Medicine offers comprehensive psychiatric services, including diagnostic evaluation and assessment, group and individual psychotherapy, and medication management.  
The clinic offers specialized treatment of bipolar disorders, depression disorders, anxiety disorders, substance use disorders, psychosis, as well as geriatric and medical-psychiatric conditions. The clinic provides training for psychiatry students, social work post-graduate fellows, psychology graduate students and, in the future, psychiatry residents. | 8441 Riverside Pkwy, Clinical Building 1 Suite 1400  
outpatient.psychiatry.beh  
8441 Riverside Parkway, Clinical Building 1, Suite 1400, Bryan, TX 77807  
979-774-8200 |
**Associates for Applied Psychology** - Many services are provided in English and Spanish. This organization works with people experiencing:
ADD/ADHD; Anxiety; Depression; Dual Diagnosis; Eating Disorders, Grief and Loss, Behavioral Health Problems; PTSD; Severe Mental Illness; Stress; Trauma
They provide Individual, family and couples counseling

**Lamb Behavioral Health Center**
Provides psychological services for children and families; individual and group therapy.
Specializes in: Children, Adolescents, College Students; Developmental Disabilities
Services:
ADHD; Autism; Adjustment Disorders; Anxiety; Compliance Issues; Depression; Emotion Regulation; Learning Disabilities; Parenting Skills; Potty Training; Sleep Disturbance; Social Skills and more

**Food Programs**

**First Baptist Church of College Station:**
Food pantry Monday nights and Tuesday mornings for local community members. You do not need to be members of the church.

**Brazos Valley Food Bank:**
They coordinate programs such as SNAP, TANF, Medicaid and Women's Health to provide for Brazos Valley community needs.

**Brazos Church Pantry:**
Food pantry open varying hours. Must be a resident of Brazos County and bring proof of residence. Monday and Wednesday- 1:00 PM-2:30 PM, Tuesday, Thursday and Friday 9:30 AM-11:00 AM, Saturday 10:00 AM-11:30 AM.

**The Bridge Ministries:**
Food pantry open every Thursday until all food has been distributed. Proof of Residence in Brazos County required.
| **Lincoln House of Hope:**  
Food pantry open to Brazos County residents every second Friday of the month. | 1303 Eleanor College Station, TX 77840  
Lincoln House of Hope  
(979) 693- 8148 |
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| **Lee Chapel United Methodist Church:**  
Food pantry open to Brazos County residents the 4th Saturday of every month from 10:00 AM to 12:00 PM. | 903. N. Washington Bryan, TX 77803  
Lee Chapel United Methodist Church  
(979) 703 - 6346 |
| **Salvation Army:**  
Food pantry open 9:00 am to 3:00 pm on Wednesdays. | 2506 Cavitt Bryan, TX 77801  
Salvation Army  
(979) 361- 0618 |
| **North Bryan New Birth Church Drop:**  
Food pantry open to Brazos County residents the 2nd and 4th Wednesday of each month from 3:00 PM to 3:30 PM. *Produce Only* | 2405 N. Earl Rudder Freeway, Bryan, TX 77803  
North Bryan New Birth Church |
| **Project Downtown Drop:**  
Food pantry open to Brazos County residents the 4th Saturday of every month from 11:00 AM to 1:00 PM. | 800 Cypress Bend Bryan, TX 77801 |
| **Project Hope, Bryan ISD:**  
Food pantry for BISD community. Open when the office is open. Will deliver food. | 1901 E. Villa Maria Rd Bryan, Tx 77802  
(Rear Entrance)  
Project Hope  
(979) 209-7042 or 7043 |

**Utilities Community Resources**

| **First Baptist Church of Bryan:**  
FBCOB have year round missions to help community members in need. Helping pay for bills and utilities is part of the missions availability as well as home maintenance help. | 3100 Cambridge Dr., Bryan, TX, 77802  
First Baptist Church of Bryan  
979-776-1400 |
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| **Brazos Valley Community Action Program:**  
The bill pay program provides assistance with electric, natural gas or propane bills. Houses must meet specific criteria and applications are by appointment only. | 3705 South College Ave., Bryan, Tx 77801  
Brazos Valley Community Action Agency  
979-595-1199 |
| **Salvation Army:** | 2506 Cavitt Ave Bryan, TX 77801  
   Salvation Army  
   (979) 361-0618 |
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| **Catholic Charities of Central Texas:** | 1410 Cavitt Ave Bryan, TX 77801  
   Catholic Charities of Central Texas  
   (979) 822-9340 |
| **Personal Health and Wellbeing Community Resources** | |
| **Bryan ISD’s Project Hope:**  
   Clothing Closet, Food Pantry, School Supplies and books free to BISD students. | 1901 E. Villa Maria Rd Bryan, Tx 77802  
   (Rear Entrance)  
   Project Hope  
   979-209-7042 or 7043 |
| **Twin City Mission’s Community Closet:**  
   Thrift store style facility where anyone may choose 5 items per family member for free once per month. | 418 N. Bryan Street, Bryan TX 77803  
   Twin City Mission  
   1-979-822-7511 |
| **MCH Family Outreach (Methodist Children's Home):**  
   Case management support for families, custom to their needs. Also has programming specifically for Grandparents as Parents. | MCH Family Outreach, 4001 E. 29th St., Suite #108, Bryan, TX 77802  
   Methodist Children's Home  
   (979) 704-6691 |
| **Project Unity:**  
   Family support programming including parenting classes. | 4001 E 29th St Ste 114, Bryan  
   Project Unity  
   979-595-2900 |
| **CCMS (Child Care Management Services):**  
   Provides subsidization for child care for families. Families of students experiencing homelessness should contact Project Hope for referral to waive work requirements. | 3991 East 29th Street, Bryan, Texas 77802  
   CCMS  
   (979) 595-2800 |
| **Sexual Assault Resource Center (SARC)**  
   The Sexual Assault Resource Center’s mission is to end the cycle of violence in the Brazos Valley through education empowerment and advocacy. Hotline, counseling and immediate help. | P.O. Box 3082, Bryan, Texas 77805  
   SARC  
   (979) 731-1000 |
# Housing Community Resources

| **Twin City Mission Shelters:** | 410 S Randolph Ave, Bryan, TX 77803  
| Emergency shelters for individuals and families. Also operates Phoebe's Home, a shelter for victims of domestic violence. | Twin City Mission  
| (979) 822-1492 |
| **Family Promise:** | 1401 West Martin Luther King Junior St #202, Bryan, TX 77802  
| A non-emergency shelter. Families receive shelter at the facility but not on a walk-in basis. | Family Promise  
| (979) 268-4309 |
| **Brazos Valley Council of Governments, Voucher Program:** | 3991 E 29th St, Bryan, TX 77802  
| HUD Housing voucher program, families may apply for vouchers which will supplement rent (in apartments whose landlords accept vouchers) based on income. | BVCOG  
| (979) 595-2800 |
| **Bryan Housing Authority:** | 1306 Beck St, Bryan, TX 77803  
| HUD Housing assistance program, families may apply to live in BHA apartments, paying subsidized rental amounts based on income. | Bryan Housing Authority  
| (979) 822-2013 |
| **St Vincent de Paul:** | 300 N Main St, Bryan, TX 77803  
| Provides emergency rent assistance. Assists one time per year. | St Vincent de Paul  
| (979) 823-4369 |
| **Salvation Army:** | 2506 Cavitt Ave, Bryan, TX 77801  
| Provides emergency rent and utility assistance. | Salvation Army  
| (979) 361-0618 |
| **Catholic Charities:** | 1410 Cavitt Ave, Bryan, TX 77801  
| Provides rent, utility (and car repair) assistance. | Catholic Charities  
| (979) 822-9340 |
| **Brazos Valley Affordable Housing Corp:** | 4001 E. 29th St. Suite 180, Bryan, TX 77802  
| Housing Assistance, Small Dollar Loan Program, Financial Fitness Center | Brazos Valley Affordable Housing Corp  
| 979-595-2809 |
| **Emmanuel Lighthouse Mission** | 7320 Steep Hollow Road, Bryan, TX 77808  
| | 979.822.1998 |
Emmanuel Lighthouse Mission (ELM) is a ministry of Emmanuel Baptist Church that seeks to provide transitional housing to women needing a new start in life.

## Immigration Community Resources

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<td>Lonestar Legal Aid: Works with low income and underserved populations in need of legal support.</td>
<td>1714 East 29th Street Bryan, TX 77802</td>
<td>Lonestar Legal Aid (979) 775-5050</td>
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<td>Catholic Charities: Provides assistance with basic immigration needs (adjustment of status, petitions) as well as access to immigration attorneys as a satellite office from attorneys in Austin.</td>
<td>1410 Cavitt Ave Bryan, TX 77801</td>
<td>Catholic Charities (979) 822-9340</td>
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<td>Brazos Interfaith Immigration Network: Provides assistance with basic immigration needs</td>
<td>107 Williamson Dr, Bryan, TX 77801</td>
<td>Brazos Immigration (979) 393-8228</td>
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<td>USCIS (United States Citizenship and Immigration Services): Provides assistance with US immigration documents</td>
<td>Bryan’s service center. USCIS Application Support Center 13155 Northwest Freeway Houston, TX 77040.</td>
<td>USCIS</td>
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<td>Philip Rodriguez, Chad Jones’ office: An attorney in Bryan specializing in immigration law.</td>
<td>Philip Rodriguez (979) 595-5000 <a href="mailto:prodriguez@chadjoneslaw.com">prodriguez@chadjoneslaw.com</a></td>
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<td>2506 Cavitt Ave., Bryan, Tx 77802</td>
<td>Salvation Army 979-361-0618</td>
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<td>Twin City Mission: Homeless Services, Housing Services, domestic abuse help as well as youth and family counseling services</td>
<td>2505 S. College Ave., Bryan, Tx, 77801</td>
<td>Twin City Mission 979-822-7511</td>
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| Catholic Charities | Programming geared towards family support, pregnancy and parenting classes with baby care rewards, immigration assistance, and housing cost assistance. | 1410 Cavitt Ave Bryan, TX 77801  
Catholic Charities  
(979) 822-9340 |
| Workforce Solutions of the Brazos Valley | Comprehensive support for adults and some older children seeking employment as well as GED, Child Care, and other services. | 3991 East 29th Street, Bryan, Texas 77802  
Workforce Solutions  
(979) 595-2800 |
| Community Partner Program | HHSC-Access & Eligibility Services, Regional Partnership Specialist. Outreach on all Health and Human Services programming through the Texas Dept of HHS | Region 7, 909 W. 45th Street, Austin, TX 78751  
Community Partner Program  
(512) 206-5641 |
| Brazos Valley Community Action Program | Comprehensive services for families including Affordable Housing, Case Management, Head Start/Early Head Start, Individual Development Accounts, Meals on Wheels, Women, Infants and Children(WIC) and Utility Assistance. They also manage Healthpoint. | 3141 Briarcrest Dr, Bryan, TX 77802  
Brazos Valley Community Action Agency  
(979) 774-0014 |
| Texas Agrilife Extension Service | Nutritional classes, prevention of drug and alcohol abuse classes, Family Strengthening.  
Contact person: Laurie Naumman | Texas Agrilife Extension  
https://families.tamu.edu/  
1470 William D Fitch Pkwy  
Suite 102V College Station, TX 77843  
(979) 823-0129 |
| Family and Community Engagement from the U.S. Department of Education | Tools for engaging families and communities as partners in education | US Department of Education |
| AlphaBEST | After school childcare in some BISD elementary schools. | AlphaBEST  
(979) 209-7085 |