

September 9, 2015

Dear Parents and Guardians of Beckley Students:

Attached please find our Parent Involvement Policy.

This policy has been jointly developed and agreed upon by Will Beckley School and the parents of students served in the school pursuant to Title I.

Beckley Elementary School will convene an annual meeting at a convenient time for parents to evaluate this policy. This meeting will be held on Thursday, September 17, 2015 at 9:10 am and 3:45 pm.

The school's parent involvement policy, developed by Jeanne Plese Slama, Becky Davis, and Stephanie Dean, will be distributed in an understandable and uniform format and to the extent practicable, in a language parents can understand. The parent involvement policy will also be made available to the community.

Beckley Elementary School will involve parents in an organized, ongoing and timely way in the planning, review and improvement of Title I programs, school performance plan and parent involvement policy.

The Educational Involvement Accords were filled out during the registration process on Infinite Campus.

A. Administration and staff will:

1. Provide assistance to parents, as appropriate, in understanding such topics as the state's academic content and achievement standards, state and local assessments, the requirements of Title I, how to monitor their student's academic progress and how to work with school staff to improve the achievement of the student.
2. Provide high-quality curriculum and instruction in a supportive and effective learning environment enabling students to meet the state academic standards.
3. Offer parent involvement activities in the school that will include opportunities for parents to volunteer and be involved in school activities:
 - Staff development and parent education
 - Parents to provide home support for their children's education
 - Parents to participate in school decision-making
 - Effective communication between the school and parents.

B. Beckley Elementary School will provide materials and training to help parents work with their children to improve the student's achievement, such as literacy training and using technology as appropriate, to foster parental involvement. Beckley will provide access to educational resources for parents to use together with their children.

C. With regard to professional development, the administration will, **with the assistance of parents**, educate teachers, pupil service personnel, principals and other staff in:

- The value and utility of contributions of parents
- How to reach out to, communicate with, and work with parents as equal partners.
- Implementing and coordinating parent programs
- Building ties between parents and the school.

D. Beckley Elementary School will ensure that all information related to school and parent programs, meetings and other activities is sent to parents in a format and, to the extent practicable, in a language the parents can understand.

E. Beckley Elementary School will work to provide coordination with other programs.

The administration will:

To the extent feasible and appropriate, coordinate and integrate parent involvement programs and activities with Pre-Kindergarten, and conduct other activities such as parent resource classes that encourage and support parents in more fully participating in the education of their children.

F. Beckley Elementary School will provide reasonable support for parental involvement activities as parents may request, (i.e., child care during meetings, parent comment or suggestion sheets).

Please feel free to contact me regarding any questions or concerns you may have.

Sincerely,

Jeanne Plese Slama
Principal