

ANSON JONES ELEMENTARY
2018-2019 Campus Parent Involvement Policy

The primary goal of family involvement at Jones Elementary is to promote education as a family activity. Parents and family members are considered each child's first and most important teachers.

The primary goals of Jones Elementary Parent Involvement are:

- To get more parents involved, reach out to all parents
- To involve the whole family and provide helpful tips for parents to help their children with school
- To continue to improve communication in all areas
- To continue to foster a welcoming environment for all parents

At Jones, we will seek to get more parents involved and reach out to all parents by:

- Reaching out to all races and cultures
- Personally inviting them to school/events more often
- Providing a variety of ways to be involved
- Building more personal relationships with students and parents
- Following the suggested list below

At Jones, we will seek to involve the whole family and provide helpful tips for parents by:

- Continuing "hands-on" family academic nights
- Providing more fun activities for parents/children to do together
- Providing practical tips for parent at each parent night
- Providing regular tips for parents throughout the year
- Including school/learning concepts or parent support supplies with all school events whenever possible.

At Jones, we will seek to improve better school and teacher communication by:

- Sending home communication about events a week in advance
- Increasing the amount of school/home communication, including calls, notes home from child, letters home, emails, etc.
- Increasing the amount of Parent/Teacher conference opportunities
- Reminding our teachers to try multiple ways to reach out to our parents
- Reminding our teachers to communicate regularly, quickly when problems arise, and to be sure to share good news
- Asking our teachers to update grades at least weekly and follow up promptly with parent questions, concerns, notes, etc.
- Post events on Facebook and the website.

At Jones, we will seek to continue and improve upon our welcoming atmosphere for parents by:

- Ensuring that all front desk staff are courteous and helpful
- Smiling and acknowledging every parent
- Remembering that every Jones staff is a "greeter"
- Seeking to be the most friendly elementary school in town

At Jones, we will work to increase the number of families involved in their child's education each year, particularly families:

- Of migrant children
- Of students identified as homeless
- Who are English-language learners
- Of student enrolled in Special Education
- Who are economically disadvantaged
- Who are disabled

Through:

- Communicating with the family in the language and form of the home
- Activities being held at variety of times such as morning and afternoon sessions
- Providing snacks to encourage attendance
- Identifying resources to help meet the needs that present barriers to families.
- Home-School Compacts—this document will be discussed as it relates to student achievement at Parent/Teacher Conferences.

Anson Jones Elementary Family Involvement Policy will be evaluated and updated each year. We will hold an annual meeting each year in which all parents will be invited and encouraged to attend to inform them of:

- 1. The school's participation in a Title I Part A program and its requirements, and**
- 2. The rights of the parents to be involved**

Anson Jones Elementary will involve families, faculty and staff to review the plan, programs, budget, and any changes. To accommodate all families, parents are surveyed throughout the year at specific events to gain input from all.