

Artz-Fox Elementary School Family Involvement Policy

Artz-Fox Elementary School and School Improvement Team that the education of children is a joint responsibility. To ensure that the best interests of the child are served in this process, strong communication and/or collaboration between school and home must be maintained. Artz-Fox Elementary and the School Improvement Team recognize that parents and families are a child's first and most important teachers. When children enter school, the responsibility for their learning is shared by the schools, families, communities, and the children themselves.

Artz-Fox Elementary and School Improvement Team also believe that:

- We will celebrate student success through wide variety of communication channels, with a focus on transparency and collaboration, inclusive partnerships that empower parents and encourage community service.
- Families of all cultures, languages, and incomes care deeply about their children's success;
- Each school employee will strive to create a welcoming and family friendly atmosphere for all children.

Communication

- Conduct family-student-teacher conferences, meetings at a variety of times or call the home for conferences and communicate by mail.
- Hold Meet Your Teacher Day, Family Nights and communicate with families by telephone and e-mail:
- Produce Building and Classroom Newsletters with information on programs, meetings and other activities will be sent to families and posted on the Artz-Fox website in Spanish/English.

Planning and Decision Making

- Artz-Fox Elementary School and the School Improvement Team will actively enlist family participation in planning and developing School Improvement and Title I School wide plans.
- Artz-Fox Elementary School and the School Improvement Teams will seek out parent input on matters related to family involvement policy as well as the adoption and implementation of modeled approaches and training programs directed toward increasing family involvement.

Collaboration

- Artz-Fox Elementary School and the School Improvement Team and families will collaboratively evaluate the effectiveness of family involvement policies for improving the academic achievement of students by asking for parent feedback at Title 1 meeting.

- Families, educators, and community members will work together to promote and increase educational opportunities for children.

Supporting Student Learning

- Artz-Fox Elementary School and the School Improvement Team will provide opportunities for parents to learn effective ways to support their student's educational needs at home.
- Artz-Fox Elementary and the School Improvement Team will ensure that families receive information on state assessment system, DIBELS, and Student Learning Plans.
- Artz-Fox Elementary School will offer educational programs, including literacy activities that are responsive to the needs of families.

Opportunities for Involvement

- Families are welcome as volunteers at Artz-Fox Elementary School.
- Volunteer opportunities will capitalize on the expertise, interests and skills of the parents and have a direct connection to school and Artz-Fox goals.
- Families will assist in identifying and addressing barriers to parent involvement as we work together to support all students.
- Families will be encouraged to have a role on School Improvement Team and Committees.
- Artz-Fox Elementary School and the School Improvement Team will support opportunities for involvement by supporting regional parent conferences when able and other local family events as well as provide child care.
- Artz-Fox Elementary School and the School Improvement Team will work with families in finding strategies to enhance and encourage the involvement of other parents.

Reviewing the Policy

- Artz-Fox Elementary School and the School Improvement Team will convene a group made up of parents, community, and staff every two years to evaluate, review and revise this policy.

Committee Members:

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| 1. Angie Ozuna | Principal |
| 2. Adrianna DiGregorio | Vice Principal |
| 3. Yajaira Tovar | Counselor/Parent |
| 4. Rosa Benitez | ELL Teacher/Parent |
| 5. Angel Roettger | 1 st Grade Teacher/Parent |
| 6. Amy Guillen | 3 rd Grade Teacher/Parent |
| 7. Chico Rodriguez | Community Member |
| 8. Isaac Rodriguez | Community Member |
| 9. Sherry Cochran | Classified Staff/Grandparent |
| 10. Cindy Gallegos | Classified Staff |