

Title I Parent Information Packet



Moody Independent School District 2018-2019

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PLEASE CONTACT ME WITH YOUR QUESTIONS OR CONCERNS!

Purpose

Moody Independent School District is dedicated to providing a quality education for every student in our District. To accomplish this objective, the District develops and maintains partnerships with our parents, caregivers, and community members. By establishing and maintaining open lines of communication, we will expand and enhance learning opportunities for every child.

What is Parent Involvement?

Parent involvement means the participation of parents in on-going, two-way and meaningful communication involving student learning and other school activities including:

- Ensuring that parents play an integral role in assisting their child's learning
- Encouraging parents to be actively involved in their child's education
- Assurance that parents are considered to be full partners in the education of their child and are included, as appropriate, in decision-making to assist the District in educating their child.

Parent Involvement in Developing Policy

The District Advisory Council is comprised of parents, members of the community, business leaders, educators, and district and campus administrators. This committee discusses the design and implementation of the Parent Information Packet. The District welcomes volunteers and parent participation from a diverse parent population.

Annual Title I Meeting

All campuses in the District are designated School-wide Title I campuses. The District will hold an annual meeting for parents each fall to provide information about Title I and the Parent Involvement Policy. All parents will be provided a copy of the Parent Involvement Policy, a Home/School Compact, and a parent involvement survey. Additionally, information presented at the annual meeting will be posted on the District webpage at http://www.moodyisd.org/resources/parents/title_i_program. Parents are encouraged to visit the school to gain information, volunteer in the life of the school, and attend other meetings and events. The district and the school welcome parent ideas and suggestions.

Home/School Compacts

In accordance with Title I regulations, the District Advisory Council has developed and will annually update a Home/School Compact. The compact outlines how parents, staff and students share responsibility for promoting high student achievement. These Compacts are posted online at our website:

http://www.moodyisd.org/resources/parents/title_i_program

Shared Responsibility for High Student Achievement

Moody ISD will provide a high quality curriculum and instruction in a supportive and effective learning environment that enables the participating children to meet Texas academic standards. Some of the programs that we have to support students in their learning include:

- Team meetings to plan instructional strategies
- Student Growth Monitoring through NWEA Map Growth program.
- Blended learning support of student achievement through Edgenuity Products
- Educational Technology in every classroom, stationary and mobile computer labs for student use, 1-1 devices for high school students, online dual credit opportunities in partnership with McLennan Community College.
- Moody Elementary will hold annual parent/teacher conferences:
 - Staff will be available for parent conferencing
 - Staff will discuss the roles and responsibilities of students, teachers, and parents as addressed in the Home/School Compact when conferencing with parents.
- Teachers will regularly communicate by email, progress reports, report cards, notes home, and phone calls.
- Moody ISD will provide parents with frequent reports on their child's progress.
 - Progress Reports at 3 week intervals
 - Report Cards each nine weeks
 - Parent Portal Access to all student grades
 - Parent reports of student growth through MAP results and other assessments
 - Results of standardized tests

Opportunities for Parent Involvement

Moody ISD supports many varied ways of involving our parents as it strives to develop and maintain an excellent learning environment for all students. Parents may contribute to this environment by:

- Volunteering to read to students
- Attending sports, music and band events
- Participating in Homecoming events (bonfire, pep rally, reception)
- Attending and helping with the Cotton Harvest Festival Parade
- Attending Book Fairs
- Volunteering for a field trip
- Attending ACE events with your child
- Helping with class parties
- Attending the Beginning of School Open House event
- Contributing to the Thanksgiving Food Drive
- Serving on the District Advisory Council, or attending the meetings
- Attending the Town Hall events
- Attending College and Career activities with your child
- Attending the School Lunch events, such as Muffins with Mom, and Donuts with Dad

School and Parent Communication

Moody ISD and its campuses will communicate with parents through all available sources:

- Notices sent home with students
- District and School websites: www.moodyisd.org
- District and School marquees
- Local radio and television stations (for bad weather notifications)
- Email
- Phone calls
- System Callouts and texts through School Messenger
- Parent Portal
- Facebook pages

Our Curriculum

A written curriculum describes what every student is expected to know (Knowledge) and know how to do (Skills). These are the components of our Curriculum that are readily available to everyone:

- Our grade-level learning standards, the Texas Essential Knowledge and Skills (TEKS) are set by the Texas Education Agency, and are visible on their website, <http://tea.texas.gov/index2.aspx?id=6148>.
- The District Curriculum is visible on the TEKS Resource System at <http://www.teksresourcesystem.net/>.
- Each teacher is expected to publish a Yearly Instructional Calendar for each content area they teach. They are visible on Moody ISD's Curriculum and Instruction website, http://www.moodyisd.org/departments/curriculum_and_instruction/
- Our District Calendar and STAAR Testing calendars for the 2017-2018 school year may be found at http://www.moodyisd.org/departments/curriculum_and_instruction/district_and_state_calendars