

Family Engagement Plan

JISD strives to foster campus-family relationships and provide parents with opportunities to participate in district and campus initiatives such as:

I. Facilitate family-to-family-support

1. JISD will provide planned family events, where families will be united and provided opportunities to interact with one another. These opportunities will be facilitated by the school to create risk free opportunities for families to interact with one another in a positive and welcoming atmosphere.

*Some activities include but are not limited to:

*PK Parent trainings each month with breakfast provided and community speakers

*PTO meetings @ each campus

*PK to Kinder transition @ each campus

*Character Parades

*Classroom parties

*Field Trips

*Parent Universities

II. Establish a network of community resources

1. JISD collaborates with local agencies in order to create a transparent partnership between school, community and the home(i.e., HOPE, Access, The Crisis Center, etc). This enables families to have access to a variety of local supports within the community. The district staff (administrators, counselors, teachers, etc.) will work together in collaboration in order to utilize local health professionals to educate parents on how to meet the various health needs of our children.

*Some examples of activities include but are not limited to:

*Parent trainings will have guest speakers

- 1 .Nutrition & PAT (parents as teachers)
2. Special Education Services & GED
3. Conscious Discipline & DPS (car seat safety)

*Bilingual translators are provided

*Frog Street Press portal for parents

III. Increase Family Participation in Decision Making

1. Family participation will become a routine part of decision making through the facilitation of the the DEIC and Campus SBDM committees. The district and campus committees will foster the family unit's confidence in regards to their abilities to positively address the needs of their children as well as building positive relationships with the school.

2. These committees will also create a family engagement plan that will be developed, implemented and made available through the district website. This engagement plan will include goals, objectives and strategies that will directly enhance the quality of the prekindergarten program within Jacksonville ISD and assist the district in achieving and maintaining high levels of family involvement and positive family attitudes towards education.

*Establish a PK Parent Advisory Committee to provide feedback and input on Family Engagement Plan

*Provide beginning of year feedback opportunity through a survey for families to share needs

*Provide follow feedback opportunity through a survey on family engagement opportunities and the Parent Engagement Plan

*Parent /Teacher conferences

*PTO meetings

*Prek Parent Volunteers

IV. Equip Families with Tools to Enhance and Extend Learning

1. Parent Trainings will be created to address a variety of topics to include the modeling of appropriate games and activities for families to engage in, to support student success in regards to social and emotional development opportunities as well as the remaining 9 domains of prekindergarten guidelines.

*PATT program

* Frog Street Portal

*Fieldtrips

*Frog Street PATT Mat's sent home by teacher for each theme

*PK to K transition meeting

*Community Speakers

*JISD District Speakers

V. Develop staff skills in evidence-based practices that support families in meeting their children's learning benchmarks

1. Educators will participate routinely in professional development opportunities on a regular basis.

- *Conscious Discipline

- *Frog Street Conference

- *Dr. Jean

- *Capturing Kids Heart

- *No Excuses University

- *No Llama Left Behind

- *Region VII trainings

- *Eduhero Early
Childhood Trainings

- *Mentoring and
coaching from JISD
Instructional team

VI. Evaluate Family Engagement Efforts and Use for Continuous Improvement

1. Participation from the family involvement activities will be quantitatively documented and monitored at the campus and district levels. Qualitative data will be collected to ensure the specific needs of families are being addressed through surveys. These evaluations will support fluidity within the family engagement plan to ensure adjustments are made to optimize family involvement within the school and community.

*Sign in sheets at all family engagement events including field trips, parties, etc. to determine interest in future events

*Use parent input to include speakers or topics important to their families

*Frog street Portal parent usage