



Graham Elementary School Title 1 Family Engagement Policy 2021-2022

The goal of Title 1 at Graham Elementary is to provide a high-quality learning environment for all scholars. We believe that the education of children is an ongoing, cooperative partnership between the home and school. We believe that the engagement of families/guardians contributes significantly to the success of our scholars.

Graham School will work to strengthen family engagement by:

- Providing families/guardians with a copy of Graham's Family Engagement Policy and including opportunities for families/guardians in creating and revising the policy.
- Including families/guardians as school leaders on the Parent Advisory Council and School Improvement Team at the school and/or district level to assist with the review and development of school level policies, programs, and plans, including the Family/Guardian-Scholar-Educator Compact.
- Inviting families/guardians to a Title 1 Annual Public Meeting to discuss and receive information regarding Graham's Title 1 program within the first 60 days of school opening.
- Encouraging families/guardians to be involved members of the PTO, visit classrooms, have lunch with their child and attend family conferences. Families/guardians are strongly encouraged to request meetings with teachers, as well as administrators, to make suggestions or respond to decisions relating to the education of their child.
- Helping families/guardians understand national, state, local standards and school expectations for the academic and behavioral success of a 21st century learner.
- Offering Family Engagement opportunities and workshops, planned at different times of the day, throughout the school year based on the needs of parents and driven by school data to improve literacy and math skills.
- Using Title 1 funds for planning family engagement activities/workshops and to assist in family/guardian meetings in regards to childcare, transportation, and home visits as needed.
- Providing materials, information, and training to help families/guardians monitor their children's learning at home through classroom staff, Title 1 staff and administrators as needed.
- Inform families/guardians of their child's progress and school activities through newsletters, progress reports, notes home, telephone contacts, conferences, report cards, Graham School website, Graham School Facebook, school reminders, and text messages.
- Providing materials, information and training to educate staff, with the assistance of parents, in the value of parent contributions, how to reach out to, communicate with and work with parents as equal partners, implement and coordinate parent programs; and build ties between parents and the school.
- Provide parent involvement programs and activities with Head Start and Pre-K programs that encourages and supports parents in participating in the education of their children.

Graham Elementary School staff and families/guardians will recognize that each are important in building an educational partnership. We will work together to provide the best possible education for our children.