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**HERZOG ELEMENTARY SCHOOL**

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**Together we achieve more!**

School Parent and Family Engagement Policy 2022 – 2023

**Policy Involvement**

Herzog will hold annual Title I. A meetings, where all parents of Herzog students are invited to attend. At this meeting, the requirements of Title I. A, and the rights of the parents involved will be explained.

Meetings will be offered at times, where the majority of parents can attend, either mornings or evenings with Title I.A funding for transportation, childcare, or home visits to maximize parental involvement.

Parents will be involved in the organizing, planning, reviewing, and improving of programs under Title I.A, which includes school involvement policy and the development of the school wide program plan;

Parents will be provided:

1. Timely information about Title I.A programs,
2. Descriptions and explanations of the curriculum in use at the school, the forms of academic assessment used to measure student progress, and the achievement levels of the MAP assessment,
3. Opportunities, as appropriate, to participate in decisions relating to the education of their children,
4. Responses to suggestions in a timely manner.

At parent’s requests, they are:

1. Provided opportunities for regular meetings to formulate suggestions, and
2. Include comments from parents of participating children who find any aspect of the school wide plan unsatisfactory when it is submitted to the district.

Shared Responsibilities for High Student Academic Achievement

Herzog Elementary School will establish with parents and students a school-parent compact defining how parents, school staff, and students share responsibility in improving student achievement and explain how Herzog Elementary and parents will build and develop partnerships to aid children in accomplishing the Missouri Learning Standards (MLS).

The school-parent compact must:

1. Describe the school’s responsibility to provide high-quality curriculum and instruction in a supportive and effective learning environment that enables the children served under this part to meet the MLS, and the way in which each parent will be responsible for supporting their child’s learning, such as monitoring attendance, homework completion, television watching and other recreational screen time; volunteering in their child’s classroom; and participating, as appropriate, in decisions relating to the education of their child and positive use of extracurricular time; and
2. Address the importance of communication between teachers and parents on an ongoing basis through, at a minimum:
3. Parent-teacher conferences at the school, twice a year, during which the compact shall be discussed as the compact relates to the individual child’s achievement;
4. Frequent reports to parent on their child’s progress;
5. Reasonable access to school staff, opportunities to volunteer and participate in their child’s classroom, and observation of classroom activities; and,
6. Ensuring regular two-way, meaningful communication between family members and school staff and to the extent practicable, in a language the family members can understand.

Building Capacity for Involvement

To ensure effective involvement of parents and to support a partnership with Herzog Elementary School, parents and the community to improve student academic achievement, each district and participating school **must:**

1. Provide assistance to parents of students served by Herzog Elementary School/SLPS district with such topics as: understanding the MLS, the Missouri Assessment Program (MAP) test and local assessments, understanding how to monitor their child’s progress and knowing how to work with teachers to improve the performance of their child;
2. Provide parents the training and materials necessary to improve their child’s achievement such as literacy training and using technology (including education about the harms of copyright piracy), as appropriate to foster parental engagement;
3. Educate, with parental assistance, all school personnel in valuing parent contributions; how to reach out to, communicate and work with parents as equal partners, implementing and coordinating parent programs, and building ties between home and school;
4. Coordinate and integrate parent engagement programs and activities such as parent resource centers, to encourage and support parents in more fully participating in the education of their child;
5. Ensure information related to school and parent programs, meetings and other activities is sent to the parents of Herzog Elementary School students in a format and to the extent practicable, in a language parents can understand; and,
6. Provide other reasonable support, for parental engagement activities as parents may request.

St. Louis Public Schools and Herzog Elementary School **may:**

1. Involve parents in the development of training for teachers, principals, and other educators to improve the effectiveness of such training;
2. Provide necessary literacy training with Title I. A funds if the educational agency has exhausted all other reasonably available sources of funding for such training;
3. Pay reasonable and necessary expenses associated with local parental involvement activities, including transportation and child care costs, to enable parents to participate in school-related meetings and training sessions;
4. Train parents to enhance the involvement of other parents;
5. Arrange school meetings at a variety of times, or conduct in-home conferences between teachers or other educators, wo work directly with participating children, with parents who are unable to attend such conferences at school, in order to maximize parental involvement and participation;
6. Adopt and implement model approaches to improving parental engagement;
7. Establish a district-wide Parent Advisory Council (PAC) to provide advice on all matters related to parental engagement in Title I. A programs; and ,
8. Develop appropriate roles for community-based organizations and businesses in parent engagement activities.

Distribution method of Engagement Policy: Check all that apply.

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