

Carr Lane VPA Middle School
School Parent and Family
Engagement Policy
2021-2022



PLAN TO INCREASE PARENTAL INVOLVEMENT

Methods by which the School Promotes and Provides Parental Engagement :

- A Title I Parental Engagement meeting will be held in August 2021 in order to educate parents on their rights and school policies Virtual/or In-Person
- Open House Virtual /or In-Person
- Parents are able to obtain up-to-date information regarding their student's academic progress via SLPS Parent Portal.
- School resource center is available to parents during school hours, which provides information regarding but not limited to DESE and Title I program guidelines
- Volunteer at school and/or special events
- Parent-Teacher Conferences at the end of the first 10 weeks of each semester
- The Family Community Specialist or Social Worker will contact the parents' of students with chronic absences
- One Parent workshop will be held during each semester
- Academic Coach provides information on the curriculum and content that is aligned with the MAP
- Provide student expectations and appropriate behavior with parental assistance and the district handbook
- Title I Review and Revision meeting
- Link families with needed resources via the school Social Worker, Counselor and Family Community Specialist.
- Teachers send home progress reports & report cards in 5 week intervals, as well as enter grades in Parent Portal.

Methods of Communication Employed to Inform Parents of Opportunities:

- The Family Community Specialist is the main point of contact for parental engagement
- Phone calls home made by staff and automatic dialing system
- Monthly newsletter, containing up-to-date information on activities and opportunities
- Email
- Postal service
- Letters sent home with students
- School meetings
- Important phone numbers (i.e.: school, transportation, central office) will be provided in monthly newsletters, and are available online and on a variety of SLPS publications

- SLPS Parent Portal can be accessed online by parents, texting, Facebook, Teams

Parental Accountability:

- It is the expectation that parents will ask their child for monthly newsletter or check the schools website, which is handed out the last day of the month; if a parent does not obtain this newsletter, it is his or her responsibility to contact the school for a copy
- Attend parent-teacher conferences
- Call if a meeting/conference must be canceled or rescheduled
- Parents are asked to attend at least one parent engagement event per semester (more if schedule and transportation permit)
- Call the school when a student is absent; send appropriate documentation when in the building.
- Voice opinions, comments, concerns, and questions via one of the parental engagement opportunities or communication avenues (phone, school meeting, etc)
- Ensure that their student(s) attend school everyday (maintain a minimum of 90% attendance rate) please try to schedule all student appointments after regular school hours.
- Parents should make sure their phone numbers and address are up to date.



Principal