



# Northmor Elementary School

## Title I Parent Involvement Policy 2020-2021

***NOTE:*** In support of strengthening student academic achievement, each school that receives Title I, Part A funds must develop jointly with, agree on with, and distribute to, parents of participating children a written parental involvement policy that contains information required by section 1118 of the Elementary and Secondary Education Act (ESEA)

### **PART I. GENERAL EXPECTATIONS**

**NORTHMOR ELEMENTARY SCHOOL agrees to implement the following statutory requirements:**

- Consistent with section 1118, the school will work to ensure that the required school level parental involvement policies meet the requirements of section 1118 of the ESEA, and each include, as a component, a school-parent compact consistent with section 1118(d) of the ESEA.

#### **School-Parent Compact:**

- The school-parent compact will be a part of the School Parental Involvement Policy on the school's web page listed under Title.
- The School-Parent Compact will be passed out the first week of school and will be reviewed/signed by the Student, Teacher, and the Parent(s)/Guardians. The Compact will be returned to the teacher and kept on file to reference.
- Northmor Elementary School will notify parents of the policy in an understandable and uniform format and, to the extent practicable, in a language the parents can understand. The Parental Involvement Policy will be made available to the local community and updated yearly to meet the changing needs of parents and the school. In carrying out the Title I, Part A, parental involvement requirements, to the extent practicable, the school will provide full opportunities for the participation of parents with limited English proficiency, parents with disabilities, and parents of migratory children, including providing information and school reports required under section 1111 of the ESEA in an understandable and uniform format and including alternative formats upon request and, to the extent practicable, in language parents understand.
- Northmor Elementary teachers and staff are committed to providing a quality educational program that will challenge all children to reach their potential. We believe when school and parents work together children succeed in school and throughout life. Neither home nor school can do the job alone. Parents play an extremely important role as their children's first teachers. Their support for their children and for the school is critical to the children's success at every step along the way.
- To ensure that basic skills and knowledge are taught, we will hold educators accountable for effective teaching, hold students accountable for learning, and encourage parental involvement in

their children's education. We will continually assess student growth in order to provide timely interventions and evaluate our instruction. Additionally, Northmor teachers and staff will work collaboratively with parents and our community in the development, evaluation and refinement of our Title I Program.

- If the School-Wide Program Plan for Title I, Part A, developed under section 1114(b) of the ESEA, is not satisfactory to the parents of participating children, the school will submit any parent comments with the plan when the school submits it to the Northmor Local School District Board of Education.
- The school will involve the parents of children served in Title I, Part A in decisions about how Title I, Part A funds reserved for parental involvement is spent.
- The school will build its own and the parent's capacity for strong parental involvement, in order to ensure effective involvement of parents and to support a partnership among the school, parents, and the community to improve student academic achievement.
- The school will provide other reasonable support for parental involvement activities under section 1118 of the ESEA as the parents may request.
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*Parental involvement means the participation of parents in regular, two-way, and meaningful communication involving student academic learning and other school activities, including ensuring—*

- (A) That parents play an integral role in assisting their child's learning;*
- (B) That parents are encouraged to be actively involved in their child's education at school;*
- (C) That parents are full partners in their child's education and are included, as appropriate, in decision-making and on advisory committees to assist in the education of their child;*
- (D) The carrying out of other activities, such as those described in section 1118 of the ESEA.*

## **PART II. DESCRIPTION OF HOW SCHOOLS WILL IMPLEMENT REQUIRED SCHOOL PARENTAL INVOLVEMENT POLICY COMPONENTS**

**NOTE:** The School Parental Involvement Policy must include a description of how the district will implement or accomplish each of the following components. *[Section 1118, ESEA.]*

1. **Northmor Elementary School** will take the following actions to involve parents in the joint development of its school Parental Involvement Plan under section 1118 of the ESEA:

- *Invite parents/guardians to a Parent Advisory Council Meeting every school year to review/make changes to our Parent Involvement Plan. Parents will be made aware of the meeting, by;*
    - *Newsletters*
    - *Honeywell Alert System*
    - *Notices*
    - *Announcements on the school marquis out front.*
    - *Website Calendar*
2. **Northmor Elementary School** will take the following actions to involve parents in the process of school review and improvement under section 1116 of the ESEA:
    - *Parent Advisory Council Meetings (PAC)*
    - *Northmor Elementary PTO Meetings (Monthly)*
  3. **Northmor Elementary School** will *hold* an Annual Meeting to inform parents of the school's participation in Title I, Part A programs, and to explain the Title I, Part A requirements and the right of parents to be involved in Title I, Part A programs. The school will convene the meeting at a time convenient for parents and will offer a flexible number of additional parental involvement meetings, such as in the morning or evening, so that as many parents as possible are able to attend. The school will invite all parents of children participating in Title I, Part A programs to this meeting, and will encourage them to attend, by:
    - *Newsletters*
    - *Honeywell Alert System*
    - *Notices*
    - *Announcements on the school marquis out front.*
    - *Website Calendar*
    - *Open House*
  4. **Northmor Elementary School** will provide parents of participating children information in a timely manner about Title I, Part A programs that includes a description and explanation of the school's curriculum, the forms of academic assessment used to measure children's progress, and the proficiency levels students are expected to meet, by:
    - *The Annual Title I Parent Meeting*
      - To explain the requirements and rights of the parents/guardians to be involved*
      - To review the School-Parent Compact with parents/guardians*
      - To provide parents with the forms of academic assessments used to measure student progress*
      - To review proficiency levels that students are expected to meet*
      - To provide opportunities for decision-making related to the education of their children*
    - *Parent Advisory Council Meetings (PAC)*
    - *Parent/Teacher Conferences (Twice a year)*

- *Family Fun/Math Night/Literacy Night, etc.*
5. **Northmor Elementary School** will at the request of parents, provide opportunities for regular meetings for parents to formulate suggestions and to participate, as appropriate, in decisions about the education of their children. The school will respond to any such suggestions as soon as practicably possible, by:
- *Posting Monthly Newsletters on the website (articles from the Administrators and School Counselor) informing parents of upcoming school events as well as information relevant to both their child's academic and social success*
  - *Teachers send home folders and newsletters to keep parents informed of individual student progress and classroom activities to maintain open lines of communication*
  - *Phone calls and emails are used as needed by teachers and administrators to communicate with parents*
  - *Encourage continued positive partnerships involvement throughout the community by staff and administrators*
  - *Parent Advisory Council (PAC) Meetings*
  - *PTO Meetings*
  - *Open House*
  - *Family Fun/Literacy Night*
  - *Title I Annual Parent Meeting held in October (first PAC Meeting)*
6. **Northmor Elementary School** will provide each parent an individual student report about the performance of their child on the State assessment in at least Math and ELA (Language Arts and Reading), by:
- *ODE Student Reports for the Reading and Math AIR Test*
7. **Northmor Elementary School** will take the following actions to provide each parent timely notice when their child has been assigned or has been taught for four (4) or more consecutive weeks by a teacher who is not highly qualified within the meaning of the term in section 200.56 of the Title I Final Regulations (67 Fed. Reg. 71710, December 2, 2002) by:
- *Written Notice to Parents/Guardians*
  - *Parent' Right To Know Letter is Posted on the Northmor Website under K-6 Title Information*
8. **Northmor Elementary School** will provide assistance to parents of children served by the school, as appropriate, in understanding topics by undertaking the actions described by:
- *How to communicate and work as a team with their child's teacher(s)*
  - *Parent/Teacher Conferences (twice per year)*
  - *Additional Conferences requested by parents*
  - *School-Wide Positive Behavior (Northmor 4)*
  - *PTO Meetings*

- *Parent Advisory Council (PAC) Meetings*
9. **Northmor Elementary School** will provide materials and training to help parents work with their children to improve their children’s academic achievement, such as literacy training and using technology, as appropriate, to foster parental involvement, by:
- *PTO Meetings*
  - *Parent Advisory Council (PAC) Meetings*
  - *Parent/Teacher Conferences*
  - *Open House*
10. **Northmor Elementary School** will, with the assistance of its parents, educate its teachers, support staff, and principals in how to reach out to, communicate with, and work with parents as equal partners in the value and utility of contributions of parents, and in how to implement and coordinate parent programs and build ties between parents and schools, by:
- *Encourage Teachers to invite parents/guardians to volunteer in their classrooms*
  - *Encourage Teachers and Support Staff to attend the quarterly Parent Advisory Council Meetings*
  - *Encourage Teachers and Support Staff to attend the monthly PTO Meetings*
11. **Northmor Elementary School** will, to the extent feasible and appropriate, coordinate and integrate parental involvement programs and activities with preschoolers and their families. The school will also provide other activities that encourage and support parents to more fully participate in the education of their children, by:
- *An Administrator will attend Head Start Administrative Meeting(s) when allowable to make a connection between preschool and our school.*
  - *Kindergarten Open House/Screening*
12. **Northmor Elementary School** will take the following actions to ensure that information related to the school and parent-programs, meetings, and other activities are sent to parents of participating children in an understandable and uniform format, including alternative formats upon request, and, to the extent practicable, in a language the parents can understand:
- *Monthly Newsletters*
  - *PK-6 Website/Calendar*
  - *Notices*
  - *Provide information in an alternative language, as necessary*
  - *Post meeting dates on the Northmor marquis out front of our building*

**PART III. DISCRETIONARY SCHOOL PARENT INVOLVEMENT POLICY COMPONENTS**

**Notification:** Parents will be notified of Adequate Yearly Progress (AYP) status. If Northmor Elementary does not make AYP status, then the school would follow guidelines established by the No Child Left Behind (NCLB) Law to notify parents.

- School Report Card posted on the Northmor website
- District Report Card posted on the Northmor website

**NOTE:** The School Parental Involvement Policy may include additional paragraphs listing and describing other discretionary activities that the school district, in consultation with its parents, chooses to undertake to build parents' capacity for involvement in the school and school system to support their children's academic achievement, such as the following discretionary activities listed under section 1118(e) of the ESEA:

- involving parents in the development of training for teachers, principals, and other educators to improve the effectiveness of that training;
- providing necessary literacy training for parents from Title I, Part A funds, if the school district has exhausted all other reasonably available sources of funding for that training;
- paying reasonable and necessary expenses associated with parental involvement activities to enable parents to participate in school-related meetings and training sessions;
- training parents to enhance the involvement of other parents;
- adopting and implementing model approaches to improving parental involvement;
- establishing a school Parent Advisory Council (PAC) to provide advice on all matters related to parental involvement in Title I, Part A programs;
- developing appropriate roles for community-based organizations and businesses in parental involvement activities.

#### **PART IV. ADOPTION**

The Northmor Elementary School Parental Involvement Policy has been developed jointly with, and agreed on with, parents of children participating in Title I, Part A programs, as evidenced by the Sign-In Sheet at the May 10, 2016 Parent Advisory Council Meeting.

This policy was adopted by the Northmor Local School District on May 19, 2020, and will be in effect for the 2020-2021 school year. The school will distribute this policy to parents at the Annual Title I Meeting and it will also be posted on the Northmor website on or before the start of the 2020-2021 school year.

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*(Signature of Authorized Official)*

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