Centerville Intermediate School Family Engagement Policy 2024-2025



The **mission** of Centerville Intermediate School is to create an atmosphere where every child is valued and nurtured toward success. Our **vision** is to guarantee that every student departs our school with a quality education and the ability to thrive productively as a responsible student and successful citizen.

How are parents included in the ongoing formulation of the Family Engagement Policy and programs for parent involvement?

Our school policy will be reviewed and updated annually. This process will take place during a Leadership Team meeting in which parents are included as stakeholders, providing an integral part of the process. The policy will be made available to parents at registration or enrollment, at the annual Title I meeting, in student handbooks, in the front office and can also be accessed on our school's website.

How will our plan be shared with families?

An annual Title I meeting will be held at the beginning of the school year to explain the school-wide program. Additionally, letters explaining the program will be sent home and information will be on the school website. Teachers will also discuss any questions and concerns at parent/teacher conferences.

How will CIS explain the Title I program to parents of participating students?

A Title I Annual Meeting will be held at the beginning of the school year with a presentation of Title I Services. This will include how students are identified to participate in the program, the services that will be provided, and an introduction of those providing Title I services.

What activities will be provided at CIS to assist parents in becoming more involved in the education of their children?

- Parents are invited to after school, school wide events/activities throughout the school year.
- Parents will be informed of events through multiple avenues listed in the next section.

How will parents be informed of school activities?

- Written communication including school/classroom newsletters
- Skylert calls
- CIS website
- School Marquee
- Parent/ Teacher Conferences
- Facebook

How will parents at CIS be provided with information about curriculum, assessments, and proficiency levels?

CIS will hold an annual Open House at the beginning of the school year. Where parents will be invited to visit their child's classrooms and meet his/her teachers.

The curriculum at CIS follows the TN State Standards. Aimsweb is used to measure student progress as well as MasteryConnect assessments within classrooms and an end of year summative assessment (TN Ready).

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How will parents utilize opportunities as stakeholders at CIS?

- Parents are invited to serve as members of the School-wide Leadership Committee and are to bring to the committee any concerns relating to the education of their children.
- Parent/Teacher Conferences are scheduled each semester at times convenient to parents' attendance. Parents may also request conferences as needed.
- CIS teachers keep in constant contact with parents through the following: E-mails, letters, phone
 calls, Graded paper folders, Class Dojo, classwork folders, progress reports, report cards,
 Facebook, etc.

How can parents be involved at CIS and how will this help student achievement?

Parents are invited to attend all school activities throughout the year such as:

Parent Involvement Activities	Academic Activities
Open House	Title I Meeting
Back to School Bash	Parent/Teacher Conferences
Walk the Dawg	Family Reading Night
Boo Bash	STEM Night
Book Fair	Art Show
Career Day	Awards Day
Field Day	

The partnership between home and school will naturally have a positive impact on student achievement.

What materials are provided for parents?

- Parent-School Compacts
- Invitations and reminders to special events
- Transitional material brochures (e.g. beginning school and moving to middle school)

These materials are distributed to CIS by the local LEA and are prepared in languages parents can understand.

How is the school-parent compact developed and distributed?

The compact is addressed during our annual School-wide Leadership Committee meeting each spring. The committee, composed of an administrator, teachers, and parents, reviews and offers suggestions to improve the effectiveness of this document. It is available to all students and their parents at the beginning of the school year. The CIS family engagement policy is posted to the school website. The importance of this document is discussed at our annual Title meeting. It is also provided in a language and format that parents understand.