

Sand Hill Elementary School

Parent and Family Engagement Plan

2025 - 2026

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*Parent and Family Engagement
Policy and Plan for Shared
Student Success*

2025-2026 School Year

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What is Title I?

Sand Hill Elementary is identified as a Title I school as part of the Every Student Succeeds Act (ESSA). Title 1 is designed to support State and local school reform efforts tied to the challenging State academic standards to improve teaching and learning for students. Title 1 programs must be based on effective means of improving student achievement and include strategies to support family engagement. All Title 1 schools must jointly develop with parents and family members in a written family engagement policy.



School Plan for Shared Student Achievement

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What is it?

This is a plan that describes how Sand Hill Elementary will provide opportunities to improve family engagement to support student learning. Sand Hill Elementary values the contributions and involvement of parents and family members to establish an equal partnership for the common goal of improving student achievement. This plan describes the different ways that Sand Hill Elementary will support family engagement and how parents can help plan and participate in activities and events to promote student learning at school and at home.

How is it revised?

The Parent and Family Engagement Plan is jointly developed and revised annually. **This year, Sand Hill Elementary School invited all parents to attend an input session on August 12, 2025, at 9:00 am, to review and revise this parent and family engagement policy, as well as, build staff capacity, the schoolwide plan, our school-parent compact, family engagement budget, and our 1% parenting budget.** Additionally, the plan is posted on our school website, posted in the front office and sent by email for parents to view and submit feedback throughout the year. All parent feedback received during the year will be used to revise the plan for the next school year. We also distribute an annual survey online, or one can request a paper copy. This survey allows parents and family members an additional format to provide feedback to the school. Parents and family members are also provided the opportunity to give feedback during several parent meetings and activities during the school year including our annual Curriculum Nights. Meetings are held at a variety of times throughout the school year, or virtually, in hopes to include those that may not be available to attend sessions at SHES but can attend and give feedback virtually. Parents/guardians can also request home visits, individual meetings, or group meetings to accommodate parent/guardian needs. Please contact Shelley Griffin to set up an appointment date and time. Parents are welcome to submit comments and feedback regarding the policy at any time on the school district website or by submitting written comments to their child's school. All feedback received by August was included in the policy for this school year. If you have any concerns about the FEP policy that are not addressed by SHES, please contact the Director of Federal Programs, Heather Duke.

Who is it for?

All students participating in the Title I, Part A program, and their families are encouraged and invited to fully participate in the opportunities described in this plan. Sand Hill Elementary School will provide full opportunity for the participation of parents and family members with limited English, disabilities, and migratory children.

Where is it available?

At the beginning of the year, a copy of the Parent and Family Engagement Plan is given to all students. The plan will also be posted on the school website. Parents will be informed via social media that the plan was sent home with the students and is available on the website. Parents can also retrieve a copy of the plan in the Parent Resource Area, located in our front office.

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Sand Hill Elementary is Branching Out!

Sand Hill Elementary will take the following measures to promote and support parents and family members as an important foundation of the school in order to strengthen the school and reach our school goals. We will:

- Ensure that all information related to school and parent programs, meetings, and other activities is published in both English and Spanish, and other languages as necessary posted on the school website, and included in the monthly school newsletter for all families.
- Provide monthly trainings for staff during their planning periods on strategies to improve communication with parents and ideas to increase family engagement with reading and math activities for our students outside of the classroom. Staff will also share best practices during regularly scheduled faculty meetings.
- Partner with early childhood programs, middle and high schools, college and career ready resources or organizations, parent resource centers, or other programs (as applicable) to help prepare parents and their children for successful school transitioning.
- Share information in English and Spanish and other languages as necessary on the school website and in the school newsletter for parents to understand the school's academic standards and assessments as well as the ways parents can monitor their child's progress and work with educators. Translations to other languages can also be made for and during conferences.
- Communicate with all families and the community on a regular basis regarding school wide events and activities, through phone messages, social media, and flyers.
- Work with our parents to develop relevant trainings and helpful presentations to educate our staff on the importance of parent and family engagement and how to support student learning.
- Inform and provide parents with student assessment results individually during parent teacher conferences. Parents may request conferences at any time. The school will provide parents with assessment results as well as guides to help them interpret and better understand their student's scores relevant to the assessment.
- Collect feedback from parents and family members at events, Title I parent and student surveys, and post suggestion form on the school website in order to respond to parents' requests for additional support for parent and family engagement activities. If the schools Title I SWP is not satisfactory to a parent, we will submit their input directly to the district title one director upon receipt of the complaint. Parents can also contact the district title one director directly. Heather Duke can be reached at 770-832-3568.

Parent and Family Engagement

Sand Hill Elementary believes that family engagement means the participation of parents and family members in regular two-way, and meaningful communication involving student academic learning and other school activities, including ensuring:

That parents play an integral role in assisting their child's learning.

That parents are encouraged to be actively involved in their child's education at school.

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.

Sand Hill Elementary is committed to helping our parents and families attend the family activities listed in this policy. Please call or email us if you need assistance with child care or transportation in order to participate in our programs.

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Parent and Family Engagement Standards

Sand Hill Elementary and our parents have adopted the National PTA Standards for Family-School Partnerships as the school's model in engaging parents, students, and the community. These standards are:

- Welcoming All Families
- Communicating Effectively
- Supporting Student Success
- Speaking Up for Every Child
- Sharing Power
- Collaborating with Community

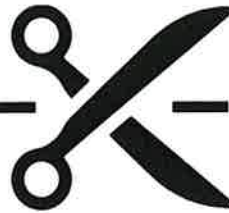
School Community Team

Sand Hill Elementary invites all parents to join a School Community Team to share ideas and ways to involve other parents and family members to build partnerships with school, families, and the community.

The team will meet four times during the school year, but parents and family members can also submit their ideas or suggestions at any school activities and meetings, as well as through our parent survey and website.

If you would like to learn more about the School Community Team, please contact Mrs. Parham or complete the interest form and leave it in the Main Office.

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School Community Team

Yes, I am interested and wish to join the School Community Team. Please contact me so I can learn more in joining the School Community Team. Please send me notifications about future meetings and updates.

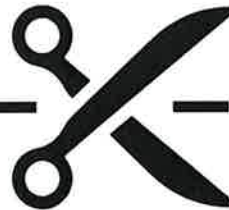
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Child's Name _____

Address: _____

Phone Number: _____

Email Address: _____



Share Your Thoughts

We want to hear from you. If you have any suggestions or if there is any part of this policy that you feel is not satisfactory with the students' and the school's goals for academic achievement, please provide us with your comments in the space provided and leave this form in the Main Office:

Name (optional): _____

Telephone Number (optional): _____