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Pre-Kindergarten Family Engagement Plan 2021-2022

Family engagement is the mutual responsibility of families, schools, and the community to build relationships that support learning and achievement. Family engagement supports family wellbeing and the continuous learning and development of children, families, and educators. Family engagement is fully integrated in the child's educational experience and supports the whole child. Odem Elementary School's family engagement plan is designed to support six components of family engagement critical to the development of a high quality prekindergarten program. The six components and supporting family engagement activities are outlined below.

Component	OES Actions
Facilitate Family-to-Family Support	OES will provide parents and families with opportunities to participate in initiatives such as: <ul style="list-style-type: none">* Volunteering* Meet the Teacher Night* Family Literacy Night* Math/Science Night* Open House
Establish a Network of Community Resources	OES strives to create a network of resources that will directly benefit Pre-Kindergarten families. <ul style="list-style-type: none">* Special Education and Child Find* Family Literacy Night
Increase Family Participation in Decision-Making	OES strives to include parents in decisions through: <ul style="list-style-type: none">* Campus Site-Based Meetings* Foster open dialog using different means of communication<ul style="list-style-type: none">- Communication folders/Notes- OEISD Facebook- OES Website- Living Tree

Equip Families with Tools to Enhance and Extend Learning	<p>Pre-Kindergarten families will be provided opportunities for learning that will enhance activities at home:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> * Parent-Teacher Conferences * Family Literacy Night * Math/Science Night * Parent Involvement Conference * Campus Newsletters
Develop Staff Skills in Evidence-Based Practices that Support Families in Meeting their Children's Learning	<p>Pre-Kindergarten teachers will attend professional development training in areas such as:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> * Highly Qualified Teachers * Balanced Literacy Framework * Campus-Based PD (based on needs)
Evaluate Family Engagement Efforts and Use Evaluations for Continuous Improvement	<p>Feedback and suggestions will be sought from families through:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> * Records of family participation/attendance at school events * Parent communication logs