

Union County School District



Parent and Family Engagement Plan 2025-2026

The Union County School District affirms that the involvement of the family and community is critical to student success. The Union County School Districts receives Title I, Part A funds and jointly develops with and distributes to parents and family members of participating children a written parent and family engagement policy. This policy contains information required by section 1116(b) and (c) of the Every Student Succeeds Act (ESSA).

The Union County School District will strive to build strong relationships with families and the community by:

- Jointly developing a district plan by involving parents and family members of participating children in the district plan under section 1112 and developing school support and improvement plans under section 1111 (d). This parent advisory committee will also develop, revise, and annually review the parent and family engagement policy best to involve parents in the activities of Title I schools;
- Developing and utilizing parent and family engagement evidence-based strategies to the extent possible and appropriate with other relevant Federal, State, and local laws and programs to improve programs for more effective parental involvement.

The Union County School District agrees to implement the following requirements as outlined by ESSA Section 1116:

A. ANNUAL TITLE I MEETING

The Union County School District will conduct an annual meeting, at a convenient time, and invite all parents of participating children to attend to receive information about the District's Title I program.

B. FLEXIBLE NUMBER OF MEETINGS

The Union County School District will offer a flexible number of meetings at convenient times for families, such as meetings in the morning or evening.

C. JOINTLY DEVELOPED

The Union County School District will involve parents in the planning, reviewing, and improving Title I, Part A programs.

D. COMMUNICATION

Union County School District will provide parents of participating children timely information about programs under Title I, including:

- Description and explanation of the curriculum in use,
- Forms of academic assessment used to measure student progress,

- Achievement levels of the challenging State academic standards, and
- If requested by parents, opportunities for regular meetings to formulate suggestions and participate, as appropriate, in decisions relating to their children's education and respond to any such suggestions as soon as possible.

Information related to the school and parent programs, meetings, and other activities, will be made available to the parents of participating children in an understandable and uniform format, including alternative forms upon request and, to the extent practicable, in a language the parents can understand.

E. DISSEMINATION PROCESS

The Parent and Family Engagement Plan will be posted on the UCSD website. Any parent comments or concerns regarding the Union County School District Parent and Family Engagement Plan should be submitted to the Superintendent's office to Jamey Wright, Federal Programs Director, by email at jwright@union.k12.ms.us or by phone at 662-534-1960. Parents may contact the school administration to submit comments/concerns at the school level.

F. SCHOOL-PARENT COMPACT

The Union County School District will jointly develop a school-parent compact that outlines how families, schools, staff, and students will share the responsibility for improved student academic achievement.

G. ACCESSIBILITY

Union County School District, to the extent practicable, shall provide full opportunities for the participation of parents and family members (including parents and family members with limited English proficiency, parents and family members with disabilities, and parents and family members of migratory children), including providing information and school reports and to the extent practicable, in a language parents understand.