

## **ELYSIAN FIELDS ISD**

## **ESSA Section 1116**

## **Parent and Family Engagement Policy**

## 2023-2024

Elysian Fields ISD is committed to providing the best education for all students and recognizes parents/guardians and families as equal partners in the education of their children. children. The district supports the implementation of high quality Title I Parent and Family Engagement Programs. This joint partnership is linked to student achievement and school improvement. All school districts that receive federal Title I, Part A funds are required under Section 1112 of the Every Student Succeeds Act (ESSA) to develop a written Parent and Family Engagement Policy for the district to explain how the The school district supports the important role of families in the education of their children and the action steps the district will take to facilitate family support in promoting student academic success. This plan, as described below, complies with this statute.

1. Elysian Fields Independent School District communicates with all parents and family members and implements programs, activities, and procedures for the involvement of parents and family members in programs consistent with the requirements of Section 1116 of ESSA. Such programs, activities, and procedures will be planned and implemented in consultation with the parents of participating children. Section 1116(a)(1)

We engage in conversations with parents in multiple ways. We call parents for both informative and positive references. We use social networks to publicize all the activities and celebrations.

- parent surveys
- Informal discussions with parents when they visit campus,
- in the carpool lane,
- 504/SPED meetings
- Parent conferences will be held at various times to accommodate parents.
- Communication will be in a format and language that parents can understand.
- Communication with parents through district and campus websites, district and campus Facebook pages, flyers, campus newsletters, periodicals, and Title I parent engagement meetings
- Hold an annual parent engagement meeting parent and family engagement
- EFISD will offer parent involvement opportunities throughout the school year, including concerts, plays, open houses, event planning, awards, ceremonies, banquets, graduation events, and more.

The goal is to include parents in all aspects of the district's Title I program and parental involvement policy. Parents and district staff meet to develop the Parental Involvement Policy. Stakeholders will have the opportunity to provide input by completing the Annual Title I District Survey.

- 2. Elysian Fields Independent School District receives Title I, Part A funds. Our goal is to plan and implement effective parent and family engagement activities to improve student academic achievement and school performance. Therefore, Elysian Fields will develop, agree upon, and distribute to parents and family members of participating children a written Parent and Family Engagement Policy. Section 1116 (a)(2)
- The policy will be incorporated into the local educational agency's plan developed under section 1112 (District Improvement Plan, DIP),
- The policy will establish the LEA's expectations and goals for meaningful parent and family engagement.

The PFE Policy is reviewed and revised annually during the first 6 weeks of the school year. The revised policy will be distributed to parents through the school's email system, discussed at our annual Title I parent meeting, and posted on our website. We will provide parents the opportunity to share ongoing feedback.

3. Elysian Fields Independent School District of will: involve parents and family members in the joint development of the DIP plan under section 1112, and the development of support and improvement plans under paragraphs (1) and (2) of section 1111(d). Section 1116 (a)(2)(A)

The District will ensure that the DIP Committee includes administrators, teachers, and parents in the development of the plans. The district will schedule meetings at a convenient time and place to support active participation in the comprehensive review of these family engagement plans and programs. Committee members will be informed through multiple methods of communication.

4. Elysian Fields ISD will provide the coordination, technical assistance, and other support necessary to assist and build the capacity of all participating schools within the local educational agency in planning and implementing effective parent and family engagement activities. to improve the academic performance of students and the school. performance, which may include significant consultation with employers, business leaders and philanthropic organizations, or individuals with experience in effectively engaging parents and family members in education. Section 1116(a)(2)(B)

The district will ensure that parents and staff review and, if necessary, revise the District and Campus Improvement Plans and the Family Engagement Policy at least annually. At a minimum, the district will promote partnerships by:-

Provide support to campus administrators in achieving their campus goals, coordinate with federal, state, and local programs, and conduct other outreach initiatives such as trainings and workshops.

5. Elysian Fields Independent School District coordinates and integrates parent and family engagement strategies under Title I, Part A, to the extent possible and appropriate, with other relevant federal, state, and local laws and programs, including public preschool programs, and direct other activities, as resources for parents. centers that encourage and support parents to participate more fully in their children's education; Section 1116 (a)(2)(C) and Section 1116 (e)(4)

EFISD will coordinate and integrate the parent and family engagement strategies in Part A with the parent and family engagement strategies in the following other programs: homeless, English language learners, immigrant education program, and High Quality Pre-K.

- 6. Elysian Fields Independent School District of conduct, with the meaningful involvement of parents and family members, an annual evaluation of the content and effectiveness of the parent and family engagement policy in improving the academic quality of all schools served by this part, including the ID-Section 1116 (a)(2) (D)
- barriers to increased parental participation in activities authorized by this section (with particular attention to parents who are economically disadvantaged, disabled, limited English proficient, limited literate, or from a racial or ethnic minority);
- the needs of parents and family members to assist with their children's learning, including the involvement of school staff and teachers; and
- strategies to support successful school and family interactions;

Get feedback from parents and family members through a district-wide survey available on the district website, distributed via email, and through Remind. Evaluation data will be provided by the Director of Federal Programs regarding the effectiveness of programs offered, parent attendance at district and campus events for parents and families;

State assessment results intended to show at least one year of growth for each student will be provided.

This Title I Parent and Family Engagement Plan was jointly developed and agreed upon by staff and parents of children in Elysian Fields ISD.

The plan was adopted by the Elysian Fields ISD District Improvement Committee and will go into effect for the 2023-2024 school year.

The school district will distribute this plan to all parents/guardians of children in Elysian Fields ISD no later than the end of the first six weeks of the school year.

The plan will be reviewed annually and revised as necessary.

For more information about this plan, contact Lauri White, Director of Federal Programs, <a href="mailto:lawhite@efid.org">lawhite@efid.org</a> or 903-633-1500.