

Axton Elementary School Title I School Parent Involvement Policy 2018-2019

In keeping with these beliefs, it is the intention of Axton Elementary School to cultivate and support active parental involvement in student learning. Axton Elementary School will:

- implement strategies to involve parents in the educational process, including:
 - keeping families informed of opportunities for involvement and encouraging participation in various programs
 - providing access to educational resources for parents and families to use with their children
 - keeping families informed of the objectives of division educational programs as well as of their child's participation and progress with these programs
- enable families to participate in the education of their children through a variety of roles. For example, family members may
 - provide input into division policies
 - volunteer time within the classroom and school program
- if practicable, provide information in a language understandable to parents

In addition, for parents of students eligible for LEP programs, Axton Elementary School will inform such parents of how they can be active participants in assisting their children

- to learn English;
- to achieve at high levels in core academic subjects; and
- to meet the same challenging academic content and student academic achievement standards as all children are expected to meet.

Parental Involvement in Title I Plan

Axton Elementary School encourages parents of children eligible to participate in Title I, Part A, programs to participate in the development of the school's Title I plan. Parents may participate by attending an annual Title I meeting held at school. The annual meeting provides multiple opportunities for parents to participate in reviewing school data and school and division strategic goals. In addition, there will be a monthly PTO meeting with a portion of the agenda dedicated to Title I.

Parental Involvement in School Review and Improvement

Axton Elementary School encourages parents of children eligible to participate in Title I, Part A, and LEP programs to participate in the process of school review and, if applicable, school improvement as implemented by 20 U.S.C. § 2316. Parents may participate by attending the annual Title I meeting and monthly PTO meetings. Each school includes Henry County Public Schools' parent representatives on the School Improvement team.

Axton Elementary School which receives Title I, Part A, funds, **MAY**:

- involve parents in the development of training for teachers, principals, and other educators to improve the effectiveness of such training
- provide necessary literacy training from Title I funds if the division has exhausted all other reasonable available sources of funding for such training
- pay reasonable and necessary expenses associated with local parental involvement activities, including transportation and child care costs, to enable parents to participate in school-related meetings and training sessions
- train parents to enhance the involvement of other parents
- arrange school meetings at a variety of times, or conduct in-home conferences between teachers or other educators who work directly with participating children and parents who are unable to attend such conferences at school in order to maximize parental involvement and participation
- adopt and implement model approaches to improving parental involvement
- select a parent to serve as a representative on the division parent advisory council to provide advice on all matters related to parental involvement in programs supported under this section
- develop appropriate roles for community-based organizations and businesses in parental involvement activities

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School Parental Involvement Policies

Axton Elementary School served under Title I, Part A, shall jointly develop with and distribute to parents of participating children a written parental involvement policy, agreed on by such parents, that shall describe the means for carrying out the following:

- convening an annual meeting, at a convenient time, to which all parents of participating children shall be invited and encouraged to attend, to inform parents of their school's participation in Title I, Part A, and to explain the requirements of Title I, Part A, and the rights of parents to be involved
- offering a flexible number of meetings, such as meetings in the morning or evening. Schools may provide, with funds provided under this part, transportation, child care, or home visits, as such services related to parental involvement
- involving parents, in an organized, ongoing, and timely way, in the planning, review, and improvement of Title I, Part A, programs including the planning, review, and improvement of the school parental involvement policy and the joint development of the schoolwide program plan under 20 U.S.C. § 6312(b)(2), except that if a school has in place a process for involving parents in the joint planning and design of the school's programs, the school may use that process, if such process includes an adequate representation of parents of participating children
- providing parents of participating children:
 - timely information about Title I, Part A, programs;
 - a description and explanation of the curriculum in use at the school, the academic assessments used to measure student progress, and the proficiency levels students are expected to meet; and
 - if requested by parents, opportunities for regular meetings to formulate suggestions and to participate, as appropriate, in decisions relating to the education of their children, and responding to any such suggestions as soon as practicably possible
- if the schoolwide program plan under 20 U.S.C. § 6312(b)(2) is not satisfactory to the parents of participating children, submitting any parent comments on the plan when the school makes the plan available to the School Board

Parental Involvement in Allocation of Funding

Parents of children receiving services under Title I, Part A, shall be involved in the decisions regarding how funds provided under Title I, Part A, are allotted for parental involvement activities.