

## Title I School-Level Parental Involvement Policy Camino Nuevo High School No. 2, Dalzell Lance Campus

Camino Nuevo High School No. 2 has developed a written Title I parental involvement policy with input from Title I parents. In partnership with the School Based Council, Camino Nuevo High School No. 2 developed the policy. Each year, CNCA uses parent survey data to inform any revisions to the policy that may be necessary. It has distributed the policy to parents of Title I students. The policy is distributed at the beginning of the school year to each family and is available online via the CNCA website. The policy describes the means for carrying out the following Title I parental involvement requirements [20 USC 6318 Section 1118(a)-(f) inclusive].

## Involvement of Parents in the Title I Program

To involve parents in the Title I program at Camino Nuevo High School No. 2, the following practices have been established:

- The school convenes an annual meeting to inform parents of Title I students about Title I requirements and about the right of parents to be involved in the Title I program.
   At the beginning of each school year, the school holds a parent orientation meeting where the Principal and Family Coordinator reviews programmatic and involvement opportunities for the year.
- The school offers a flexible number of meetings for Title I parents, such as meetings in the
  morning or evening.
   Parent meetings such as, Coffee with Leadership and Grade Level Parent meetings with the
  College Center, are scheduled mornings and afternoons to accommodate schedules and
  - College Center, are scheduled mornings and afternoons to accommodate schedules and maximize attendance. Virtual meetings will continue to be offered once in-person instruction continues. Virtual meetings have become more accessible for parents/guardians to attend.
- The school involves parents of Title I students in an organized, ongoing, and timely way, in the
  planning, review\*, and improvement of the school's Title I programs and the Title I parental
  involvement policy.\*\*
  - During the April and May School Based Council meetings, the Principal requests feedback from parents and teachers about which programs and services they value most; and which area would they like to see emphasized in the school's funding plan.
- The school provides parents of Title I students with timely information about Title I programs.
   Parents receive timely information via Parent Square and robo-calls, weekly bulletins, monthly parent meetings, and other special meetings that may be scheduled.
  - The parents of Title 1 students will have access to trainings and workshops on how to use ParentSquare and PowerSchool to help them monitor their child's academic progress and communicate with teachers and school staff.
- The school provides parents of Title I students with an explanation of the curriculum used at the school, the assessments used to measure student progress, and the proficiency levels students



are expected to meet.

Parent workshops are offered at least twice a year to explain the curriculum, annual required and internal assessments, ways to interpret results, and tools for parents to support the academic progress of their children.

• If requested by parents of Title I students, the school provides opportunities for regular meetings that allow the parents to participate in decisions relating to the education of their children.

The Site Based Council meets each month and provides parents the opportunity to participate in decision-making, raise concerns they may have, or request a private meeting with the school leader.

\*It may be helpful to include the parental involvement policy review in the annual review of the Single Plan for Student Achievement.

\*\*The policy must be updated periodically to meet changing needs of parents and the school. If the school has a process in place for involving parents in planning and designing the school's programs, the school may use that process if it includes adequate representation of parents of Title I children. [20 USC 6318 Section 1118(c)(3)]

## **School-Parent Compact**

Camino Nuevo High School No. 2 distributes to parents of Title I students a school-parent compact. The compact, which has been jointly developed with parents, outlines how parents, the entire school staff, and students will share the responsibility for improved student academic achievement. It describes specific ways the school and families will partner to help children achieve the State's high academic standards. It addresses the following legally required items, as well as other items suggested by parents of Title I students.

- The school's responsibility to provide high-quality curriculum and instruction
- The ways parents will be responsible for supporting their children's learning
- The importance of ongoing communication between parents and teachers through, at a minimum, annual parent-teacher conferences; frequent reports on student progress; access to staff; opportunities for parents to volunteer and participate in their child's class; and opportunities to observe classroom activities

The School-Parent Compact was developed with input from teachers and parents about the best possible ways to support families and increase student achievement. Every year, this compact is distributed and explained to families during enrollment time. It is also reviewed with families during the beginning of year orientations.

**Building Capacity for Involvement** 



Camino Nuevo High School No. 2 engages Title I parents in meaningful interactions with the school. It supports a partnership among staff, parents, and the community to improve student academic achievement. To help reach these goals, the school has established the following practices.

- The school provides Title I parents with assistance in understanding the State's academic content standards, assessments, and how to monitor and improve the achievement of their children.
  - Camino Nuevo High School No. 2 has developed several parent workshops that explain academic language, state assessments, and how to interpret testing results as well as clearly clarifying A-G graduation requirements. These workshops are repeated throughout the year to assure understanding and answer questions.
- The school provides Title I parents with materials and training to help them work with their children to improve their children's achievement.
  Parent workshops include hands-on and other interactive activities to provide parents with the opportunity to practice the new acquired skills. The school will use parent engagement curriculums to continue building capacity and support with title 1 parents feeling confident in playing in active role in their child's academic and social emotional life. Additional video/recordings of workshops and trainings will be provided on a more ongoing basis.
- With the assistance of Title I parents, the school educates staff members about the value of parent contributions, and in how to work with parents as equal partners.
   During team meetings with staff members, as well as professional learning days for teachers at the throughout the school year, sessions are scheduled to educate them about the importance of partnering with families. Tools for communication from school to home, such as ParentSquare, will be utilized to build an accessible outlet of communication among teachers, school staff, and families. CNCA has developed the "Triangle for Academic Success" where parents play a vital role in working with teachers to support academic achievement. Teachers/school staff will send weekly communication home to provide updates and consistent school to home communication.
- The school coordinates and integrates the Title I parental involvement program with other programs, and conducts other activities, such as parent resource centers, to encourage and support parents in more fully participating in the education of their children.
   Our campus has a Family Coordinator who oversees our program for family and parent engagement and works closely with families to identify needs and link them with resources. Partnerships with community organizations are also established to further provide access and awareness of local organizations that may support our Title 1 parents. The Family Coordinator also coordinates opportunities for parents to get involved in the school community as well as events and workshops to build the capacity of our families, empowering them and encouraging them to become advocates for their child's education.
- The school distributes Information related to school and parent programs, meetings, and other
  activities to Title I parents in a format and language that the parents understand.
   All communication with families is bilingual and written in a culturally sensitive manner.
   Flyers, newsletters, posters and robo-calls are easy to read/listen and understand. Translators



are readily available during parent meetings including conferences and workshops to assure understanding and maximize communication.

The school provides support for parental involvement activities requested by Title I parents.
 Our school gathers feedback and information from School Based Council parent leaders to plan school activities. We work closely with parents to create successful events where parents are asked to be involved and support one another. Events are carefully monitored by our staff member who oversees the parent program and adjustments are made accordingly.

## Accessibility

Camino Nuevo High School No. 2 provides opportunities for the participation of all Title I parents, including parents with limited English proficiency, parents with disabilities, and parents of migratory students. Information and school reports are provided in a format and language that parents understand.

Parents are asked to get involved in the school community and in the academic life of their children at different levels. We understand that each family has different needs and that their level of involvement is going to vary. For this reason, our school offers a wide range of volunteer opportunities where families can choose the most convenient way to participate and get involved in the school community. Another way to reach out to families who find it challenging to come to school is through home visits. Home visits are encouraged as a tool to establish a connection with families and offer support when coming to school becomes difficult.