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Title 1 Policy – 2016-17

Blossburg Elementary will involve parents with the development of its overall Title 1 plan and the process of school review and improvement planning. This will be done with a committee of parents, teachers, and administrators who will develop the Blossburg Elementary title 1 plan and later improvement plan.

The purpose of the meeting will be to review the policy and identify any necessary changes in the coming year.

Parent Involvement Plan points;

1. Parents are informed in advance that all students may be evaluated as being a member of an inclusive Title 1 school.
2. Parents will be informed at parent-teacher conferences the results of Title 1 testing as applicable (if student was tested).
3. Parents will be informed at parent-teacher conferences if their previously eligible student has grown to the point of no longer needing Title 1 services.
4. Parents will be given input into the Blossburg Elementary Parent Compact.
5. Parents will be given a copy of the Parent Compact and Parent Involvement Policy annually.
6. Should a parent require interpretation, every effort will be made to provide this service.

Blossburg Elementary will make the following efforts to strengthen the school-family partnership and provide materials and training for school staff and parents.

1. Parent – Teacher Conferences: We will hold face-to-face or telephone (when necessary) conferences during the day and evening. Title 1 results will be shared with parent at this time, as well as changes in Title 1 services their child receives at this time.
2. Report Cards: Report cards will be distributed three times each year.
3. Book Fair: Through the joint efforts of the Blossburg Elementary PTO and librarian, a book fair will be held annually.
4. Assignment notebooks: Students will be given assignment notebooks or communication logs.
5. District Calendar: Families will be given a copy of the school-year calendar annually.
6. Annual Parent Title 1 Workshop: This meeting will be held once per year to provide parents with strategies to help their children be more successful in school. This workshop may be held in conjunction with Open Houses, Book Fairs, etc. in an effort to increase participation.
7. Parent Volunteers: Parent will be advised of the school district policy on volunteers and where to find this information as it is updated to its most current level.
8. Email communication: Email communication may be used to communicate with families.
9. Reading Counts: The Reading Counts online program will be made available to all students with login information provided to families.
10. Monthly educational handouts for families will be sent home with children

Blossburg Elementary will conduct, with parents, an annual evaluation on the content and effectiveness of the parent involvement policy and will assess the amount that parent involvement has increased and will identify barriers to parent involvement. These findings will be used by the committee to plan future improvements to the parent involvement policy.

1. Parents of student receiving services will be given the opportunity to evaluate in writing the Title 1 services their child has received.
2. Blossburg Elementary will conduct an annual meeting of the Parent Involvement Planning Committee to evaluate the content and effectiveness of the Title 1 parent involvement plans, procedures, and policies and use the evaluation to identify successful parent involvement strategies, to determine barriers to parent involvement, and make recommendations to increase parent involvements.