ALCESTER-HUDSON SCHOOL DISTRICT Title I Family Engagement DISTRICT-WIDE FAMILY ENGAGEMENT PLAN

The Alcester-Hudson School District is committed to partnering with families to inform and involve them in their child's learning experience.

OBJECTIVE- Ensure effective engagement of parents and family to support a partnership between home and school.

GENERAL EXPECTATIONS

The Alcester-Hudson School District agrees to implement the ESEA statutory requirements. Family Engagement means the participation of parents in regular, two-way, and meaningful communication involving academic learning and other school activities, including ensuring:

(A) That parents play an integral role in assisting their child's learning.

(B) That parents are encouraged to be actively involved in their child's education at school.

(C) That parents are full partners in their child's education and are included, as appropriate, in decision- making and on advisory committees to assist in the education of their child.

(D)

DESCRIPTION OF HOW THE DISTRICT WILL IMPLEMENT REQUIRED DISTRICT WIDE FAMILY ENGAGEMENT PLAN COMPONENTS

- 1. The Alcester-Hudson School District will take the following actions to involve families in the joint development of its district wide family engagement plan:
 - a. An annual meeting is convened during WIN Family Night where all elementary families are invited to attend.
- 2. The Alcester-Hudson School District will provide coordination, technical support, and other necessary support in planning and implementing efficient family engagement activities to improve academic achievement and school performance. The Alcester-Hudson School District will:
 - a. Hold annual meetings
 - Families are invited to attend two annual meetings: WIN Family Night and the After-School Program Family Night
 - b. . Involve families in the Title I Program and policy development and review
 - WIN Family Night provides families with an opportunity to understand and improve the Title I program
 - c. Provide a description and explanation of the curriculum
 - An Open House is held at the beginning of the year to get students acquainted with their classrooms, teachers, and what the year will look like
 - d. Provide parents the opportunity for regular meetings
 - Open communication is established early on through email and student agendas
 - Conferences are also scheduled in the fall and in the spring

- e. Provide information and assistance to parents on state content standards, as well as, state and local assessments
 - Individual state test reports will be sent home for parents to view and overall state test scores are easily accessible for viewing on our school website
 - Classroom test scores are shared with parents on the online grading portal
- f. Provide information about their child's progress and work with parents to improve achievement
 - Report cards are sent home quarterly to inform parents on their child's progress
 - Beginning, middle, and end of the year online learning reports are also distributed to families
 - Several projects and performances are exhibited at the end of the year to show student growth which include poetry readings, animal reports with dioramas, and reading and science fairs
- g. Provide professional development to staff to work with families and show the value that is added by partnerships with families
 - Several events invite parents into school to collaborate with their child and/or classmates such as pumpkin carving, building gingerbread houses, chaperoning field trips, creating games and snacks for class parties, grandparent luncheons, class picnics, and attending book fairs.
- h. Work with Head Start to coordinate family engagement efforts
 - Head Start information is shared with families at our early childhood screening and throughout the year as we meet with parents.
 - Preschool staff also shares IEP information to Head Start Programs.
- i. Eliminate educational jargon and provide information in a format families can understand
 - Classroom newsletters are given out weekly to provide parents with what their child is learning, upcoming events, and important reminders
 - Class websites also keep parents up-to-date on what is happening in the classroom while also providing pictures of their child learning
- j. Provide family activities as parents request when possible
 - Family math games and literacy bags are available for students to take home
 - provide resources to parents such as https://sdsfec.org/