



UNITED INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT INFORMATIONAL ITEM

TOPIC: 2024-2025 Parent & Family Engagement Policy

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APPROVED FOR TRANSMITTAL TO SCHOOL BOARD: _____

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INFORMATIONAL REPORT:

The 2023-2024 District Parent & Family Engagement (PFE) Policy was reviewed and revised with the Parent & Family Engagement District Committee for the 2024-2025 school year on May 7, 2024. The PFE policy establishes the expectations for parent engagement and describes how the district will implement a number of specific parent engagement activities throughout the year in order to support student academic achievement.

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2024-2025 Parent & Family Engagement (PFE) Program

What is it?	<p>At United Independent School District, we firmly believe in the essential role of parents in supporting their child's education. We encourage active parental involvement in both the school and decision-making processes, including advisory committees. We are committed to fostering a positive working relationship with parents through regular and meaningful communication. We will work collaboratively with parents to develop a comprehensive parent and family engagement policy to enhance student academic achievement and promote school activities. This policy, as required by section 1116 of the Every Student Succeeds Act (ESSA), will be shared with parents of participating children. It will outline United Independent School District's expectations for parent engagement and provide details on specific activities designed to facilitate parent involvement. By establishing this policy, we aim to create a supportive and inclusive environment where parents can actively contribute to their child's education journey. We value the partnership between parents and the school, recognizing that together we can empower students to succeed.</p>
Expectations & Objectives	<p>At United Independent School District, our Parent and Family Engagement (PFE) Program is designed to facilitate effective communication and collaboration with parents in supporting student performance and learning. Our objectives are as follows:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><input type="checkbox"/> We will actively involve parents in the planning and implementation of programs, activities, and procedures related to parental involvement in all schools with Title I, Part A programs. Meaningful consultation with parents will guide our efforts.<input type="checkbox"/> We will work closely with our schools to ensure that the required school-level parent engagement policies meet all necessary requirements. Each policy will include a school-parent compact, outlining shared responsibilities for student success.<input type="checkbox"/> We are committed to providing full opportunities for the participation of parents with limited English proficiency, parents with disabilities, and parents of migratory children. We recognize the importance of ensuring equal access and involvement for all parents.<input type="checkbox"/> We will provide information and school reports in a format that is understandable and consistent, to the extent practicable, in a language that parents can comprehend. Upon request, alternative formats will be made available to accommodate diverse needs.<input type="checkbox"/> We will involve parents of children served in Title I, Part A schools in decisions regarding the allocation of the 1 percent of Title I, Part A funds reserved for parent engagement. Their input will be valued in determining how these resources are best utilized.<input type="checkbox"/> We will actively inform parents and parental organizations about the purpose and available resources of the Title I Statewide School support and Family and Community Engagement. This will ensure that parents are aware of the support and opportunities available to them through our district.



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	<p>Through these objectives, we aim to foster a strong partnership between the school and parents, promoting a collaborative approach to student success and family engagement in education.</p>
<p>United ISD will:</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <input type="checkbox"/> Develop, review, and revise the District Improvement Plan on a yearly basis in collaboration with parents and family members of participating children. <input type="checkbox"/> Create a district parent advisory council to provide advice on all matters related to parental involvement in Title I, Part A programs. <input type="checkbox"/> Host district meetings for parents/caregivers, community members and campus personnel to provide feedback and input on campus plans and policies. <input type="checkbox"/> Actively recruit parents/caregivers to participate in parent advisory capacity. <input type="checkbox"/> Schedule meetings at convenient times in the morning, evening, or virtually and locations to participate in a comprehensive review of policy and programs for parent involvement. <input type="checkbox"/> Establish a task force to implement parent involvement activities and initiatives. <input type="checkbox"/> With the assistance of its Title I schools, provide materials and training to help parents work with their children to improve their children’s academic achievement, such as understanding the state’s academic content standards, how to work with educators, how to monitor their child’s progress, literacy training and using technology. <input type="checkbox"/> Coordinate and integrate parental involvement strategies with programs, such as: Head Start, Preschool Programs, Family Literacy Programs, English Language Classes, Parenting Partners Program, Family Matters Resource Center and 21st Century Community Learning Centers <input type="checkbox"/> Offer various opportunities for meetings, trainings and classes on different days and times (i.e. United Council of Parent, Parent Learning Summit, ESL/GED/Citizenship Classes, Job training, Job Fair and Community Organization presentations). <input type="checkbox"/> Offer various services such as assistance with basic economic needs, transportation and childcare when available. <input type="checkbox"/> Educate teachers, principals and other staff with the assistance of parents on how to reach out to, communicate with, work with parents as equal partners, the value and contributions of parents, how to implement and coordinate parent programs through Campus Professional Development and Parenting Partners Curriculum Training. <input type="checkbox"/> Ensure to disseminate any information related to the school and parent programs, meetings and other activities in an understandable format through various forms, such as: parent-teacher conferences, parent square, phone calls, school marquees, PSAs and district/campus websites. <input type="checkbox"/> Assist schools in the evaluation and revision of their PFE policy and school-parent compact <input type="checkbox"/> Conduct an annual evaluation of the content and effectiveness of the District Parent & Family Engagement Policy, share the findings with all parents/guardians of participating children, and use the information to design strategies for more effective parental involvement.
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