

BUCKLEY COMMUNITY SCHOOL SCHOOL LEVEL PARENTAL INVOLVEMENT POLICY

In support of strengthening student academic achievement, each school that receives Title I, Part A funds must develop jointly with, agree on with, and distribute to, parents of participating children a written parental involvement policy, agreed on by such parents, that contains information required by section 1118 (b) (1) of the Elementary and Secondary Education Act of 1965 (ESEA) (school parental involvement policy). The policy establishes the school's expectations for parental involvement and describes how the school will implement a number of specific parental involvement activities, and it is incorporated into the school's plan submitted to the local educational agency (LEA).

**Buckley Community Schools
Parent Involvement Plan for Shared
Student Success**

2016-2017 school year

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What is Title I?

Buckley Community Schools is identified as a Title I School as part of the Elementary and Secondary Education Act of 1965 (ESEA). Title I is designed to support state and local school reform efforts tied to challenging state academic standards in order to reinforce and enhance efforts towards improving the academic success of students. Title I programs must be based on effective means of improving student achievement and include strategies to support parental involvement. All Title I schools must develop a written parental involvement policy.

School Plan for Shared Student Achievement

(Section 1118 (b)(1), (c)(3) and (f))

What is it? This is a plan that describes how Buckley Community Schools will provide opportunities to improve parent engagement to support student learning. Buckley Community Schools provides a school-wide assistance Title I program and values the involvement of parents and their contributions towards establishing a partnership for the common goal of improving student academic success. This plan describes the different ways that Buckley Community Schools will support parent engagement and how parents can help plan and participate in activities and events to promote student learning at school and at home.

How is it developed? Buckley Community Schools welcomes parent input and comments at any time regarding this plan. All parent feedback will be used to revise the plan for next year. The plan will be posted on our school web-site for parents to view and post feedback throughout the year. We will continue to distribute an annual survey online and by mail to ask parents for their suggestions on the plan.

Who is it for? All students participating in the Title I, Part A program, and their families are encouraged and invited to fully participate in the opportunities described in this plan. Buckley Community Schools will provide opportunity for the participation of parents with limited English, parents with disabilities and parents of migratory children.

Where is it available? At the beginning of the year, the plan will be included in a mailing to all Title I parents. The plan will also be posted on our school- web-site for parents to view. Parents will also be able to retrieve a copy of the plan in The Parent Resource Center.

District Goals

All students will show an increase towards achieving reading proficiency on the state assessments.

All students will show growth towards achieving math proficiency on the state assessments.

School Goals

All students will show growth towards achieving reading proficiency.

All students will show growth towards achieving math proficiency.

All students will show growth towards achieving science proficiency.

All students will show growth towards achieving social studies.

All students will show growth towards achieving writing proficiency.

School-Parent Compact

Section 1118 (d)

As part of this plan, Buckley Community Schools and our families will develop a school-parent compact, which is an agreement that parents, teachers and students will develop together that explains how parents and teachers will work together to make sure all our students reach grade-level standards. The compact will be reviewed and up-date annually based on feedback from parents, students and teachers. The school-parent compacts are kept with the Title I teacher if parents need a copy.

Parent Involvement Program and Activities

Buckley Community Schools will facilitate the following events to build the capacity for strong parental involvement to support a partnership among the school, parents, and the community to improve student academic success.

1. Buckley Community Schools will take the following actions to involve parents in the joint development and joint agreement of its School Parental Involvement Policy in an organized and timely way under section 1118 (b) of the ESEA.

- Include parents to be members of a Title I Planning Committee (develop a committee 2014)
- On an annual basis, the Parental Involvement Policy will be revised with input from parents. Input may include: e-mails, phone calls, posted comments on the web-site, mailings and surveys.
- The Title I Planning Committee will be notified of an upcoming meeting to tend to the policy revision recommendations.

2. Buckley Community Schools will take the following actions to involve parents in the process of planning, joint development of the Title I program, review and improvement of programs under Title I services Part A 1118 of the ESEA.

- Invite all parents to attend an annual Title I open house in the fall. This open house will inform parents of the goals and purposes of Title I, the programs used in Title I, the academic assessments used to measure student progress and the proficiency levels students are expected to meet and up-coming Title I events, parent involvement opportunities and Parents Right to Know Provision/Highly Qualified Staff. This information will be available to all parents of students entering the Title I program at any time throughout the school year.
- Distribute to parents a brochure explaining our Title I assistance program and services.
- Title I parent conferences will be held at times convenient for parents and may extend beyond the regular school day.
- The Title I administration will provide timely responses to parents' suggestions and questions.
- Invite all Title I parents to attend Parent Involvement Workshops and to complete workshop evaluations at the conclusion of each workshop.
- All staff will advise parents of their student's progress on a regular basis through nine week reports cards.
- Invite all parents to complete a Title I Parent Involvement Survey to evaluate the Title I Program.
- Distribute bi-monthly educational activity packets (integrated with math, science, social studies and reading) for all Title I parents to use at home towards enhancing their child's learning.
- Create a Parent Resource Center within our elementary building for parents to access information.
- Generate a bi-monthly newsletter that informs parents of upcoming Title I events and parent involvement activities.
- Provide transportation to allow parents to attend meetings and workshops.

Definition of Parental Involvement

Buckley Community Schools believes that parent involvement means the participation of parents in regular two-way, and meaningful communication involving student academic learning and other school activities, including ensuring-

- That parents play an integral role in assisting their child's learning;
- That parents are encouraged to be actively involved in their child's education at school;
- 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;
- The carrying out of other activities as described in this plan.

Support

Section 1118 (c)(2)

Buckley Community Schools is committed to helping our parents attend the parental activities listed in this plan. Please call us at (231) 269-3325 in order to participate in our programs.

Adoption

Buckley Community Schools will take these measures to promote and support parents as an important foundation of the school in order to strengthen the school and reach our school goals. This School Parental Involvement Policy has been developed and will be revised jointly and agreed upon with parents of children participating in Title I, Part A programs.

This school will distribute this policy to all parents of participating Title I, Part A children in September, at our annual open house night. This policy will also be available to all parents at any time during the school year. Notification to parents of this policy will be in an understandable and uniform format and, to the extent practicable, provide a copy of this policy to parents in a language the parents can understand.

