

Title I Parent Involvement Plan for St. Patricks 2015/2016

Our Title I teacher and staff communicate with our parents in a variety of ways. There are school-wide policies and some policies that relate to just Title I students and families.

School-wide policies:

- Our school student body allows us to easily conference with all parents either in person or via phone at conveniently scheduled times.
- Each parent must complete 12 service hours for the school. Opportunities include volunteering in the classroom, on field trips, and at scheduled events.
- Students receive quarterly report cards.
- Training videos and parenting books are available for checkout in the media center.
- The school counselor will assist parents with social and educational decisions.

The St. Patrick's Title I program will:

- Utilize various means such as surveys and parent meetings to involve parents in planning, reviewing and improving the Title I program.
- Provide Family Engagement Activities presented throughout the school year to provide Title I parents with training and tips on how to help improve their child's academic achievement. Our first workshop is entitled: How Busy Parents Can Help Their Child Learn. Second semester our workshop will be: Effective Strategies to Build Stronger Readers.
- Hold an Annual Meeting to inform parents of the school's participation in Title I, Part A programs and to explain the Title I, Part A requirements and rights of parents to be involved in those programs. All parents of children participating in Title I programs are encouraged to attend. This meeting will be held in September of 2015.
- Provide parents with a link to the district Title I website and a copy of the *Parent's Right to Know* from the Alachua County School Board.
- Provide a Title I Home School compact to each Title I family. This compact outlines the different responsibilities of the parents, students, teachers and staff in order to provide an effective and supportive learning environment for each child.
- Provide a variety of training opportunities for school staff to educate the staff in how to reach out, communicate, and work with parents and community leaders as equal partners in an effort to strengthen the ties between school, home and community. This year our workshop is entitled: Partnering with Parents to Help Close the Gap.
- Provide a parent resource area located in the Learning Lab with materials and resources for parents to help their children at home. Many of these resources include materials for families with limited English proficiency.
- Provide consistent, ongoing communication about assignments, homework, grades and school events either through homework folders and/or the St. Patrick's online portal.