School Wide Parental Involvement Policy #3 William Orr Elementary School Title 1, Part A School-Level Parent and Family Engagement Policy

William Orr Elementary School has jointly developed with, and distributed to, parents and family members of participating children a written parent and family engagement policy, agreed on by such parents and updated periodically to meet the changing needs of parents and the school (20 U.S.C. § 6318[b][1]). This policy describes the means for carrying out designated Title 1, Part A parent and family engagement requirements pursuant to ESSA Section 1116(c).

To involve parents in the Title I, Part A programs, the following practices have been established:

• Parents are involved in the planning, review, development, and improvement of the School-Level Parent and Family Engagement Policy during School Site Council

The school convenes an annual meeting to inform parents about the Title I, Part A requirements and about the rights of parents to be involved in the Title 1, Part A program (ESSA Section 1116[c][2]).

• Parents are informed annually regarding the Title 1 Program during Back to School Night at each school site

The school offers a flexible number of meetings for Title I, Part A parents, such as meetings in the morning or evening (ESSA Section 116[c][2]).

• A flexible number of meetings will be held at various times, based on parent need

The school involves parents of Title I, Part A students in an organized, ongoing, and timely way, in the planning, review, and improvement of the school's Title I, Part A programs and the Title I, Part A parent involvement policy (ESSA Section 1116 [c][3]).

- The School Site Council meets on a regular basis to help develop the Single Plan, review school site budgets, and monitor the effectiveness of the plan
- The School Site Council reviews and updates the Parent and Family Engagement Policy

The school provides parents of Title I, Part A students with timely information about Title I, Part A programs (ESSA Section 1116 [c][4][A]).

- Parent and Family Engagement Policy is distributed to parents early in the Fall along with their registration information
- An annual meeting at Back to School Night allows parents to hear about the Title I program
- Information regarding the Title I program at each school site can be found in the Single Plan

The school provides parents of Title I, Part A students with an explanation of the curriculum used at the school, the assessments used to measure student progress, and the proficiency levels students are expected to meet (ESSA Section 1116 [c][4][B]).

- A description and explanation of grade level curriculum, academic assessments, and grade level expectations are shared with parents at Back to School Night
- Teachers share current data and assessment information with parents during parent/teacher conferences held in October and January

If requested by parents of Title I, Part A students, the school provides opportunities for regular meetings that allow the parents to participate in decisions relating to the education of their children (ESSA Section 1116[c][4][C]).

- Parents are provided opportunities to meet with their child's teacher during parent/teacher conferences in October and January
- Parents may request to meet with their child's teacher whenever a concern or question arises

The school engages Title I, Part A parents in meaningful interactions with the school. The School-Parent Compact supports a partnership among staff, parents, and the community to improve student academic achievement. To help reach these goals, the school has established the following practices:

- Parents are involved in the planning, review, development, and improvement of the School-Parent Compact during School Site Council
- The School-Parent Compact is distributed to all parents during the online enrollment process
- The School-Parent Compact is available in English and Spanish

The school provides Title I, Part A parents with materials and training to help them work with their children to improve their children's achievement (ESSA Section 1116[e][3]).

- Parent and family events are held throughout the year focused on different curricular areas and inform parents on how they can assist their children at home
- District TOSAs (ELA/ELD, Math, Science) provide monthly parent trainings during DAC/DELAC meetings
- Teachers provide parents information they can use at home to assist their child during Back to School Night and during parent/teacher conferences

With the assistance of Title I, Part A parents, the school educates staff members in the value of parent contributions, and in how to work with parents as equal partners (ESSA Section 1116 [e][3]).

The school coordinates and integrates the Title I, Part A parental involvement program with other programs, and conducts other activities, such as parent resource centers, to encourage and support parents in more fully participating in the education of their children (ESSA Section 1116[e][4]).

- Staff has access to tools such as email, Class Dojo, Parent Square, and/or Remind that allow them to communicate frequently with parents and include them as partners in their child's education
- Family Liaisons reach out to parents and provide additional resources to allow parent participation
- Staff supports and promotes community events such as Trunk or Treat, Moms and Muffins, Dads and Donuts, and Family Movie Night to increase parent participation at the school site

The school distributes information related to school and parent programs, meetings, and other activities to Title I, Part A parents in a format and language that the parents understand (ESSA Section 1116 [e][5]).

- Notices sent home, including monthly parent newsletters, are sent in English and Spanish
- Information is sent home in a variety of formats including flyers, automated phone calls and email, social media (Facebook, Twitter, Instagram), and text

The school provides support for parental involvement activities requested by Title I, Part A parents (ESSA Section 11116[e][14]).

- Parents are invited to attend family and parent events
- Parents are invited to complete the volunteer application to assist at school
- Parents are invited to attend monthly Coffee Club
- Parents are invited to attend PTO and SSC/ELAC Meetings

The school provides opportunities for the participation of all Title I, Part A parents, including the parents with limited English proficiency, parents with disabilities, and parents of migratory students. Information and school reports are provided in a format and language that parents understand (ESSA Section 1116[f]).

- Notices sent home, including monthly parent newsletters, are sent in English and Spanish
- Interpreters are provided for meetings as needed (IEPs, parent/teacher conferences)

This policy was adopted by William Orr Elementary School on Thursday, April 6, 2023, and will be in effect for the 2022-2023 school year.

The school will distribute the policy to all parents of students participating in the Title I, Part A program in the Fall as part of the online enrollment packet. In addition the Parent and Family Engagement Policy will be available on each school's website.

Signature of Authorized Official

Date