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TULSA PUBLIC SCHOOLS

Policy # 9403

Parent Involvement Plan Will Rogers College High and Middle School

PURPOSE: Tulsa Public Schools shall promote parent involvement in all schools as mandated by Title I, **Every Student Succeeds Act (ESSA)** and work as equal partners with parents in providing quality learning experiences for every student, every day, without exception.

The Board believes and acknowledges that parent involvement raises the academic achievement level of students. Additionally, parents become empowered, teacher morale improves, and communities grow stronger when parents take an active role in educating their children. To this end, schools shall involve parents in the education of their children at all grades' levels. The Superintendent or his/her designee shall provide coordination, technical assistance, and other support necessary to assist all schools in planning and implementing effective parent involvement activities to improve student academic achievement and school performance. Public Law 107-110, **Every Student Success Act (ESSA)** Title I Parent Involvement establishes that to build capacity for parent involvement within schools, a district is to "develop jointly with, agree on with, and distribute to parents of participating children a written Parent Involvement Policy".

Building Parents Capacity for Involvement

The Board believes that empowering parents to insist on improvement and giving schools extra incentive to do so and by giving parents options regarding their children's education helps the district to realize its vision to become the "District of Choice" for patrons of the community. As a result of this belief, the Board shall create an environment of supportive and collaborative parent involvement.

1. **Program Information for Parents:** Rogers College High/JR High School will provide assistance to parents of all children in understanding such topics as the state's academic content and achievement standards, the assessments being used, the requirements of Title 1, Part A, **Every Student Success Act (ESSA)** and how to monitor their children's progress and work with educators to improve their achievement.
2. **Materials and Training:** Rogers will provide materials and training, such as literacy training and training on how to use technology, to help parents work with their children to improve achievement.
3. **Educate Educators:** Tulsa Public Schools will educate teachers, pupil services personnel, principals and other staff, with the assistance of parents, in the value and utility of contributions of parents, and in how to reach out to, communicate with, and work with parents as equal partners, implement and coordinate parent programs and build ties between parents and the school.
4. **Understandable Communication:** Rogers will ensure that information related to school and parent programs, meetings and other activities is sent to the parents of all children in a format, and, to the extent practicable, in a language the parents can understand.
5. **Other Requested Activities:** Rogers will provide such other reasonable support for parental involvement activities as parents may request.

6. Communication:

- Bi-annual parent/teacher conferences are held at Rogers.
- Rogers meetings are held in Spanish to help Immigrants understand the United States educational system. Translators are available at all meetings.
- Monthly newsletter updates families about current information and events.
- 6-week Progress reports are sent home to parents.
- Rogers's website: <http://rogers.tulsaschools.org> and Parent access to PowerSchool.
- Facebook, Twitter: @roperslibrary, tulsawillrogers, willrogersstuco
- Mandatory Parent Meetings for parents to understand what it takes to succeed at Will Rogers College High School and Middle School.
- PTSA (Parent Teacher Student Association) meetings are held on a regular basis.
- Before/after school tutoring is available at Will Rogers.
- Junior High Students write daily assignments in their agenda and take their agenda home.
- Parents will use the student agenda to monitor homework and understand objectives.
- School Messenger calls, emails and Will Rogers website keeps parents informed.
- Posted information in the lobby of the school is updated daily.
- Phone calls will be made to parents. Parents may call the school staff at any time. Ms. Washington and Ms. Damian **Parent Involvement Facilitator** is always available for the parents.
- Ms. Washington and Ms. Damian sends School Messengers to parents regarding any school related information.
- Letters will be sent home to parents. Information will be exchanged.
- Parent/Student Enrollment is held for the students and their family.

7. Parental Participation

- Parent, Teacher, Student Association/ Parent Community Advisory Council
- Back-to-School Night
- Special events such as curriculum nights and special event speakers will be brought in to present to parents' teen topics of interest.
- Teachers will share practical strategies of how parents can reinforce mathematical and reading concepts at home.
- Students write in their agenda daily and take their agendas home. Parents will rely on the agenda to assist with homework and prepare for tests. Parents may also view the teacher's web pages for information.
- Monthly newsletters are sent home.
- Teachers will conduct Parent/Teacher conferences in the fall and in the spring.
- "Mandatory" Parent meetings are held to keep parents informed about the schools' expectations and what it takes to stay at Rogers and to graduate from Rogers.
- Grade-level parent meetings are held on relevant topics for students and parents.
- Pastries with the Principal are held monthly as a Parent Engagement Event.
- Monthly Rogers Parent Gathering
- Bingo Night is for Students, Family, Teachers and Staff to get to know one another.
- Volunteer Work such as field trips and participation in academic and athletic activities is available for parents. Parents can also join the Booster Club.

- Shadow Day is held at Will Rogers for future students and parents,
 - Rogers has School, Family and Community Partnerships and a Parent Involvement Center. A multitude of information is available for parents in the Parent Center.
 - Parents supervise nightly study 2-3 hours per credit per week.
 - Study and Homework workshop for parents.
 - World Culture Fair and La Posada (a Hispanic Cultural tradition)
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- Ensure the School has current contact information, including email address and phone numbers for effective communication between the school and the family.
 - Work with school personnel to help the student develop post-secondary plans.
 - Understand College Summit and map a student's path to college together.
 - High School students and family focus on academic preparedness, academic
 - Support and college admission.