

Sandy Valley Elementary, Middle & High School
PARENT AND FAMILY ENGAGEMENT POLICY CHECKLIST FOR TITLE 1
School Year 2016 - 2017

1. Plan for involving parents in the writing of the policy

- A. This policy has been jointly developed and agreed upon by the administration, staff, and parents of Sandy Valley Elementary, Middle & High School. We will convene an annual meeting, to be held at the first Parent Advisory Council of the year, during the first two weeks of September, to evaluate this policy. The school's Parent Involvement Policy will be distributed in an understandable and uniform format and to the extent practicable, in a language parents can understand.
- B. During the meeting, the annual District Wide Parent Survey results will be shared. Parents will be given time to discuss and comment on these results.

2. Plan for including parents in the writing of the school improvement plan

Sandy Valley School improvement plans were written with the involvement of parents. A parent was on the school improvement plan committee, and the plan is available for parents to review at any time. The school will include parents in an organized, ongoing, and timely way in planning and review of the parent involvement policy and the school improvement plan.

3. Timeline for sending home the Education Involvement Accords

The Educational Involvement Accords are completed along with beginning of the school year registration. The Accords are kept electronically within the Infinite Campus system. The records are part of the enrollment paperwork. All new students will complete the Accords when they register on Infinite Campus.

4. Plan for building parent capacity for strong parental involvement

- A. Sandy Valley School teachers and administration will present the following data and information to parents at beginning-of-year parent meetings the second week of September 2016; grade level academic and student achievement standards from the state; state and local assessments that will be administered; state proficiency level targets; the school's curriculum; ways to monitor their child's progress; and ways to work with their child's teachers through Interact and conferences.
- B. Sandy Valley School will refer parents for various parenting classes, with the assistance of parents, such as the ABC's of parenting, child and family nutrition, technology, and internet safety in cooperation with Sandy Valley's Title I parent volunteers, and PTO (Parent/Teacher Organization) members. Other topics for consideration include how to help your child with homework, and how to learn literacy skills side-by-side with their children. Additionally, Sandy Valley School will train parent volunteers to work in the classrooms; encourage classroom volunteers; and promote membership in the PTO.
- C. Sandy Valley School with the assistance of parents, will provide training on how to work with families of poverty in 2016. This will take place in the form of an in-service class taught through CCSD. Also, Sandy Valley School continually provides assistance to parents to improve their capacity for strong parental involvement. Sandy Valley School participates in the CAC (Citizens Action Committee) and Sandy Valley/Mesquite Educational Association

monthly meetings to open lines of communication with the Sandy Valley community.

- D. Sandy Valley School will ensure that information related to the school and parent programs, meetings, and other activities, is sent to the parents of participating children in an understandable and uniform format, including alternative formats upon request, and, to the extent practicable, in a language the parents can understand. Translators are available to assist parents with communication. Information is distributed to parents via Sandy Valley Newsletters, telephone calls, and teacher correspondence.
- E. Sandy Valley School shall, to the extent feasible and appropriate, co-ordinate and integrate parent involvement programs and activities with public preschool and other programs, and conduct other activities, such as parent resource centers and read-at-home program that encourage and support parents in more fully participating in the education of their children.
- F. Sandy Valley School will host Parent Awareness Nights to train parents to assist their children with homework, reading, math, and language arts. Sandy Valley School serves grades Pre-K through 12th grade. Transitions from grade levels are handled within the school by the administration, teachers, and counselor. The school makes efforts to work with the community to inform them of kindergarten registration and provide them with information for Pre-K. The school holds College Fairs on campus in conjunction with the local Library, provides students with opportunities to attend College Fairs in Las Vegas, and provides ongoing College and Career Readiness counseling. Students are provided information on graduation requirements as well as scholarship information.