

## TITLE I PARENT INVOLVEMENT POLICY Ridgepoint Elementary

Ridgepoint Elementary has developed a written Title I parental involvement policy with input from Title I parents, parent members of the School Site Council and English Learner Advisory Committee groups who have reviewed and discussed the policy. This policy is distributed and explained at our Annual Back to School Night. The policy describes the means for carrying out the following Title 1 parental involvement requirements.

## **INVOLVEMENT OF PARENTS IN THE TITLE I PROGRAM:**

To involve parents in the Title I program at Ridgepoint, the following practices have been established:

• The school convenes an annual meeting to inform parents of Title I students about Title I requirements and About the right of parents to be involved in the Title I program.

Back to School Meeting – August 20, 2024. Written communication through Aeries communication was sent home along with several automated phone calls that will be made encouraging participation. The Principal will present a Power Point on school achievement data, Title 1 program, attendance and ways for parents to become involved in school.

Title I parents, parent members of the School Site Council and English Learner Advisory Committee groups set their meeting dates and times and distributes at Back to School Night. Ridgepoint staff who are to facilitate the meeting, attend the first meetings of the year to consult with the members to see which times/dates are best for the parents/community. Changes to the schedule will then be made. It is with every intention that Ridgepoint remain flexible so that we are able to meet the needs of both working and non-working parents/families.

- The school involves parents of Title I students in an organized, ongoing, and timely way, in the planning, review, and improvement of the school's Title I programs and the Title I parental involvement policy.
- Yearly meetings of ELAC and SSC are scheduled within the first month of school and calendared so members know when to expect the meeting. Aeries communication and automated phone calls go out monthly to remind parents of meetings. Parent input is always be solicited during these meetings as noted regarding the programs offered at Ridgepoint. Parents and community members have an opportunity at these meetings to provide suggestions for improvement as well.
- Ridgepoint Elementary provides parents of Title I students with timely information about Title I programs. Ridgepoint will be working diligently to update our website with curriculum information, after school information, intervention information and other programs that assist tin the development of all learning. In addition, we will utilize our automated messaging system, flyers our marque and our app to advertise upcoming program changes or additions.

• Ridgepoint provides parents of Title I 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.

Ridgepoint provides this information at First Day Celebration. During Fall parent conferences, teachers and support staff share the strategies embedded in the curriculum that ensure students are reaching mastery of the Common Core State Standards.

Ridgepoint parents experience an open-door policy. They may pre-arrange meetings or phone calls with site administration or staff. Parents may submit comments in writing regarding the school site plan and attend regular SSC and ELAC meetings. If requested by parents of Title I students, the school provides opportunities for regular meetings that allow the parents to participate in decisions relating to the education of their children.

## **BUILDING CAPACITY FOR INVOLVEMENT:**

Ridgepoint Elementary engages Title I parents in meaningful interactions with the school. It 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:

 The school provides Title I parents with assistance in understanding the State's academic content standards assessments, and how to monitor and improve the achievement of their children.

A presentation at Ridgepoint Elementary Back to School Meeting about the Common Core State Standards as well as pamphlets being distributed and teachers doing a more in-depth discussion at their fall conferences.

• Ridgepoint Elementary provides Title I parents with materials and training to help them work with their children to improve their children's achievement.

Ridgepoint Elementary provides materials and are willing to meet with parents to help parents work with their children to improve their children's achievement. Some trainings are held at SSC and ELAC meetings. District committees provide parent trainings for increasing parental involvement, and gaining input and support from parents in planning programs for student achievement.

- With the assistance of Title I parents, Ridgepoint Elementary educates staff members about the value of parent contributions and in how to work with parents as equal partners. Our ELAC and SSC is trained by the principal or designee on effective advocacy strategies and roles for parent s and communities.
- Ridgepoint Elementary coordinates and integrates the Title I parental involvement program with other programs, and conducts other activities. Ridgepoint Elementary district Child Welfare and Attendance Liaison, School Elementary Office Clerk, School Health Assistant and principal or designee, meet regularly to discuss the needs of our families and best outreach for our school community.
- Ridgepoint Elementary distributes Information related to school and parent programs, meetings, and other activities to Title I parents in a format and language that the parents understand.

Ridgepoint Elementary is working very hard to keep our website up to date so information is easily accessible. In addition, where applicable, we translate letters in our dominant languages, English and Spanish. In addition, when needed we have a phone translation service as well as google translate to enable staff to have conversations translated for us directly here on campus and make automated messages for our EL Parents.

• Ridgepoint Elementary provides support for parental involvement activities requested by Title I parents.

## ACCESSIBILITY

Ridgepoint Elementary provides opportunities for the participation of all Title I parents, including 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.

Twin Rivers School District has changed the format of our school report cards and progress reports to meet the needs of our families. The goal is to provide documentation in a friendly format that is easily understood. The Principal and Vice Principal will review report cards to ensure that comments are clear, concise and parent friendly.

Ridgepoint Elementary Special Education staff creates goals in conjunction with parent and the IEP team to insure buy in from all participants.