

Wenonah Family Involvement Plan (FIP)

2017-2018

~ Our Commitment to Engaging Families ~

Purpose: Because we know that family engagement is key to student success, Wenonah will create meaningful, accessible and equitable opportunities for all families to engage with their students and the school.



Family Engagement Goals	How Will We Achieve These Goals?
<p>Families Feel Welcome at School Create a warm and welcoming environment, and support families with transitions between schools</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Invite families to school tours; Kindergarten Registration; Open House; Student of the Month Celebrations; Talent Show; Woodlawn Walks, Volunteer Tea, Screen Free Nights; 2nd Grade visit to Keewaydin; and Native American, Latino and African American Family Involvement Days • Greet families warmly • Display culturally-relevant student work
<p>Families have Equitable Communication and Access Provide all families with equitable access to school communications and meetings</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Send school communications via email, robo call, website, and backpack flyers • Translate communications into Spanish • Offer meetings in the evening (Site Council & PTA) and morning (Coffee with the Principal) • Provide childcare at Site Council & PTA meetings • Offer transportation support and home visits/conferences
<p>Families are Engaged in Leadership and Planning Engage families in writing the annual Family Involvement Plan (FIP), School Improvement Plan (SIP), Family-School Compact, and school budget. Share these documents with all families.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Conduct a “Barriers to School Involvement” survey • Partner with Site Council/PTA to update the SIP, FIP, Compact and budget • Translate these documents into Spanish • Share them via email, website, Open House and conferences
<p>Families are Engaged in their Students’ Academic Achievement Provide resources and training to families and staff to help families more fully participate in their students’ education</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Provide frequent reports to families on their students’ progress • Teach families how to read test results • Discuss grade-level standards at “Night of the Arts” for 1st and 2nd grades, and Math Night • Provide resources to families to help students learn at home • Encourage families to attend MPS District Advisory Meetings • Connect families to community partners, including PACER • Notify all families about Title 1 spending and enrichment opportunities (including ALC/GEMS/GISE, Community Ed, and CoGat testing) • Hold staff training on skills for engaging families • Offer families easy access to staff, classrooms and volunteer opportunities • Encourage families to share ideas, concerns, and questions • Respond to parents in a timely and transparent manner

