

2024-2025
Winstead Avenue Elementary (WAVE) School
PARENTAL INVOLVEMENT POLICY

Winstead Avenue Elementary (WAVE) will encourage parents to volunteer and become active in all facets of the overall school program. Parents may join the PTO or volunteer in various school capacities. We encourage parents to schedule periodic conferences with teachers and the administration to discuss the academic progress of their child(ren). WAVE provides parents with many opportunities to become involved in the school's academic success, and research indicates that student achievement will increase when the level of parental involvement at the school grows.

Annual Title 1 Public Meeting: August 22, 2024

- August 22, WAVE will host Title 1 and PTO meetings to provide parents and community members with information regarding the Title 1 budget and how to help volunteer in the classrooms.
- October 3, WAVE will hold a curriculum night for parents, teachers, and students to discuss expectations for high student achievement, inform parents about their rights under the law, and provide them with information that will allow them to be fully active in their child's education.

Involving Parents in an Organized, Ongoing, and Timely Way

- WAVE will hold quarterly PTO meetings monthly to share updates about continuous student achievement with all stakeholders, how to become more active in the classroom, and upcoming events.
- WAVE's PTO board meets monthly to ensure collaboration between school and community stakeholders.
- WAVE will schedule Instructional/Curriculum Nights throughout the school year. At this time, teachers will offer instructional strategies to parents on ways to enhance the student's academic performance.
- Every nine weeks, teachers will provide a progress report.
- At the end of every nine weeks, the district will issue Report Cards.
- The school's webpage, Apptegy system (phone, email, and text), and Facebook page will also provide updates.
- Parents will have the district's Accountability Standards as a rubric to know where their child should be at each grade level's beginning, middle, and end.

Timely Information

- WAVE will communicate with parents in a variety of ways: regularly scheduled PTO meetings, parent-teacher conferences, weekly classroom reports or folders, progress reports per grading period, report cards, school website, the Apptegy/Thrillshare, letters, emails, and flyers as needed.
- Parents will receive information about their child's performance weekly or as needed. Emails, Apptegy/Thrillshare, and weekly folders are ways to share student progress with parents.
- Grade-level curriculum nights and PTO meetings will provide strategies and information to the parents.
- At the end of every nine weeks, the district will issue Report Cards.
- Individual Educational Plans (IEP) meetings will be held regularly for qualifying students.
- Parents can request conferences during the school year when a concern arises.
- A school-wide parent-teacher conference week is scheduled mid-year after students' During the school-wide parent-teacher conference week after teachers administer the middle-of-the-year mClass assessment, teachers will share their available blocks of time in their day to meet with parents to discuss the student's current performing level and any other pertinent concerns.
- The administration has an open-door policy and is available upon the parent's request.
- Classroom teachers use Thrillshare/Apptegy and daily/weekly folders to inform parents of upcoming events.

Opportunities for Regular Meetings

- Teacher-parent conferences will be scheduled school-wide at least once a year to focus on the student's academic needs.
- At the end of the second nine weeks, teachers will send home documentation to parents of students performing below grade level. Parents can set up meetings to discuss their academic performance thus far in the school year and how to work toward grade-level proficiency.
- Parents can contact the staff at any time during the school year to set up a conference with needed staff members at any time during the school year.

Parent Comments

- WAVE reviews the parent policy yearly. Concerns or suggestions offered by parents may prompt the need to address the parent policy as often as needed.
- Parents will always be able to provide input, suggestions or address concerns.
- PTO meetings will also be held throughout the year for parents to provide their input or suggestions on improving the school.

School-Parent Student Compact

- WAVE will issue accountability compacts at the beginning of school or per a date set by the school system administration. These compacts specifically outline the goals and responsibilities of parents, teachers, students, and staff for individual students to reach academic success.
- The school provides a copy of the updated district-wide parent handbook compact agreement at the beginning of the school year. The parent's signature is required stating they've read and understand the information about the district's guidelines. District handbooks are also available online, and hard copies are available in the front office upon request. Parents can find school-wide information referencing rules, policies, and expectations on the first page of the student's agendas.
- All documents are offered in Spanish upon request.