



Hodge Road Spanish Dual Language Immersion MagnetElementary School

Family Engagement Policy

We believe that the education of children is a cooperative and collaborative effort. Parent involvement and a home/school connection strengthen the child's academic, social, and emotional success. In order to support this valuable home-school collaboration, we will conduct the following activities in virtual and when possible in-person formats to make everyone feel comfortable and safe to the greatest extent possible including our Virtual Academy students at Hodge Road:

1) Hold an **annual virtual or in-person public meeting** in the first quarter when we share the following:

- An overview of the school-wide Title I program
- Parents' rights and responsibilities
- Parent/Teacher/Student Compact

2) Offer a **flexible number of virtual parent meetings, Parent University, and Family Academy sessions** throughout the year to include:

- Sessions in both English/Spanish, Interpreters, and handouts in both English and Spanish
- Parent education on how to use Google Meet
- a virtual varying meeting schedule with different days and times to accommodate parent schedules
- Family Academy Digital Survey to plan sessions they indicate they need
- Making sure our parents are aware of curriculum and resource changes

3) Provide a **process for parent input in planning and review of programs and policy** by: · Conducting an annual parent survey

- Organizing a Family/Community Engagement Committee as part of SIP
- Encouraging parents to voice questions and concerns to school staff via Class Dojo, Email, or Google Meet meetings, and on an electronic feedback form [HERE](#)

4) Provide parents with **information in a timely manner** by:

- Sending home quarterly interims and/or report cards
- Holding virtual/in-person parent conferences at least twice a year
- Sharing monthly classroom newsletters
- Providing updates through phone calls, School Messenger voice messages and emails every week for Mrs. Dorsey's SUNDAY SCOOP, daily take-home folders

5) Provide **opportunities for parents to participate** by:

- Inviting them to join PTA
- Providing opportunities to volunteer virtually; reading to children, guest speakers
- Announcing virtual PTA and other virtual meetings and events

6) **Describe curriculum and assessments** through:

- Virtual/in-person Open House & Meet the Teacher Events
- Virtual parent conferences
- Virtual/in-person meetings and conferences