

2023/24 Izard County Middle and High School Parental Involvement Policy General Expectations

Izard County Middle School and High School agrees to implement the following statutory requirements:

- Izard County Middle School and High School will jointly develop with parents and distribute to parents of participating children a Parental Involvement Policy that the school and parents of participating children agree on.
- Izard County Middle School and High School will notify parents about the Parental Involvement Policy in an understandable and uniform format and, to the extent possible, will distribute this policy to parents in a language the parents can understand.
- Izard County Middle School and High School will make the Parental Involvement Policy available to the local community.
- Izard County Middle School and High School will periodically update the Parental Involvement Policy to meet the changing needs of parents and the school.
- Izard County Middle School and High School will adopt the school-parent compact as a component of its Parental Involvement Policy.
- Izard County Middle School and High School agree to be governed by the following statutory definition of parental involvement, and will carry out programs, activities and procedures in accordance with this definition: Parental involvement means the participation of parents in regular, two-way, and meaningful communication involving student academic learning and other school activities, including ensuring:
 - parents play an integral role in assisting their child's learning;
 - parents are encouraged to be actively involved in their child's education at school;
 - that parents are full partners in their child's education and are included, as appropriate, in decision-making and on advisory committees to assist in the education of their child;
 - the carrying out of other activities, such as those described in section 1118 of the ESEA.

Izard County Middle School and High School will implement required school parental involvement policy components by involving parents in the joint development and joint agreement of its Parental Involvement Policy in an organized, ongoing, and timely way under section 1118(b) of the ESEA and by gathering and disseminating for review the following materials:

- District-wide Parental Involvement Policy

- School's Parental Involvement Policy
- School/Parent Compact
- Parent Notices from the Table on page 45 of the Title I, Part A Non-Regulatory Guidance

These materials will be disseminated to parents at regular Title I parent meetings and parent/teacher conferences. Written and oral input from parents will be solicited through Title I parent meetings, parent/teacher conferences, School Reach announcements as well as announcements and postings on the school's electronic sign, school website, and other regular written communications with parents.

Izard County Middle School and High School will periodically update its Parental Involvement Policy to meet the changing needs of parents and the school through general school meetings. Izard County Middle School and High School will convene an annual meeting to inform parents of the following:

- That Izard County Middle School and High School participates in Title I
- The requirements of Title I
- School curriculum, assessments, and proficiency levels
- Of their rights to be involved as outlined in Table B of Title I, Part A Parental Involvement Non-Regulatory Guidance (page 45), Section 1118; the school-parent compact, Appendix C, page 51 of the Title I, Part A Parental Involvement Non-Regulatory Guidance
- The district wide parental involvement policy
- The school's parental involvement policy

Meetings will be held at various and convenient times to encourage parents to attend. The Izard County Middle School and High School will provide parents of students with a description and explanation of the curriculum in use at the school, the forms of academic assessment used to measure student progress, and the proficiency levels students are expected to meet through the school's Annual Meeting to the Public, regular Parent/Teacher Conferences, and Family Nights.

If requested, Izard County Middle School and High School will provide parents opportunities for regular meetings to formulate suggestions and to participate, as appropriate, in decisions relating to the education of their children and respond to any such suggestions as soon as practicably possible through prearranged meetings with the Title I Coordinator, meetings with the student's teacher which may include the Title I Coordinator, the principal, and other staff as appropriate

Responsibilities for High Student Academic Achievement

Izard County Middle School and High School will build the schools' and parents' capacity for strong parental involvement in order to ensure effective involvement of parents and

to support a partnership between the school, parents, and the community to improve student academic achievement through the parent training, and family nights. The school will incorporate the school-parent compact as a component of its Parental Involvement Policy. The school will, with the assistance of the district, provide assistance to parents of children served by the school in understanding topics such as the following:

- the State's academic content standards,
- the State's student academic achievement standards,
- the State and local academic assessments including alternate assessments,
- the requirements of Title I,
- how to monitor their child's progress, and
- how to work with educators.

As appropriate, the school will, with the assistance of the district, provide materials and training such as literacy training and using technology to help parents work with their children to improve their children's academic achievement and to foster parental involvement. The school will, with the assistance of the district and parents, educate its teachers, pupil services personnel, and principals and other staff in how to reach out to, communicate with, and work with parents as equal partners in the value and utility of contributions of parents and in how to implement and coordinate parent programs and build ties between parents and schools by encouraging staff to attend parental involvement workshops and conferences, web-based learning, and site staff development.