

Walton Elementary School Title I Parental Involvement Auburn School Department 2020-2021

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Monthly School-Wide Family Events

Walton School invites families to monthly events to promote community involvement. Activities such as, Open House, Harvest Dance, Turkey Beano, School-Wide Morning Meetings, Sweetheart Bingo, Math/Literacy Night, and Family Book Club Night bring families into our school community. We collaborate with PTO on many of these events.

Monthly Newsletters

The principal newsletter goes home monthly. The purpose of the newsletter is to inform parents of upcoming student and parent activities that will occur in our school and present success stories of past events. Data is shared periodically to keep parents informed of the school's progress.

Website

A Walton website is available that allows us to not only provide useful information for our Walton parents but also to the larger local community. We typically post upcoming events, this parent involvement policy, list of suggested books to read by grade level and/or by a child's specific reading level and linked learning sites for both literacy and math that children and parents can do together. Our website is: http://walton.auburnschl.edu

We always welcome parent participation, feedback and involvement. Feel free to contact Kim Bianco at any time at the school office by calling 784-1528 or emailing kbianco@auburnschl.edu.

Title I School Policy Statement

Walton Elementary School, in accordance with Auburn School Department policy, encourages parental involvement in all school activities and programs to promote successful school experiences for parents and students.

School Compact

The Title I School Compact is discussed with parents during the December Parent/Teacher conferences. As part of the compact, parents are asked to provide home/school connections to ensure their child's success. Through the Title I program, parents will be invited annually to review and revise our School-Parent compact.

Communication

Parents are informed if their child is receiving interventions for reading or math. Interventionists will inform parents of their child's goals and academic progress. Parents will be invited to activities throughout the year that give them a better understanding of what is expected of their children and the type of instruction their children are receiving. Parents are given tools to work with their children in areas of reading and math. Activities that occur to meet the school's Title I parent involvement requirements are:

- Open House
- Math/Literacy Nights
- Monthly Newsletters from the principal
- Website
- Parent/Teacher Conference
- Lesson Observations
- Family Book Club

At one event during the school year, a survey will be distributed to all parents for feedback on the Title I program services that have been provided to you and your child. This survey is one method in which you assist the school in the planning, review and improving the Title I program and its parental involvement policies.

Open House

Title I staff is available to meet with parents during Open House to discuss intervention services and ways to be involved. Parents have an opportunity to meet with their child's Interventionist.

Math/Literacy Night

At Walton Elementary School, one Math/Literacy Night occurs in the winter for all students and parents. During the evening, parents and students are introduced to appropriate grade level expectations. Families have the opportunity to play math and reading games to enhance learning and foster the home/school connection. These activities help to build parent capacity to work with their children and foster parental involvement.