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 Blevins School District
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District Parent Involvement Policy

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School Year
2014-2015

Superintendent
Billy Lee

School Improvement Status
Needs Improvement

Parent Involvement Committee Members
(Select "Repeat" to open more entry fields to add additional team members)

Enter committee members

First Name
Cindy

Last Name
Lee

Position
Curriculum Director (870-874-2281)

Enter committee members

First Name
Cindy

Last Name
Heagwood

Position
Technology Facilitator, Elementary Music Teacher (870-874-2283)

Enter committee members

First Name
Natalie

Last Name
Jones

Position
High School Science Teacher (870-874-2281)

Enter committee members

First Name

Marilyn

Last Name

Manning

Position

Parent Center Coordinator/Community (870-874-2283)

Enter committee members**First Name**

Felicia

Last Name

Summers

Position

Parent (870-285-1542)

Enter committee members**First Name**

Sabrina

Last Name

Aparicio

Position

Parent (870-312-2089)

Goal 1: How will the LEA foster effective parental involvement strategies and support partnerships among school, parents, and the community to improve student achievement?

The Blevins School District will have a Parental Involvement Committee that will develop and disseminate district parental involvement policy. This committee will include parents, community members, school staff, and other stake holders. Team members will implement parental involvement activities as well as disseminate information to the community to promote parental involvement. Activities will be coordinated with those of other programs such as Head Start, Direct Instruction, CGI Math, Parents as Teachers program and home instruction Program for Preschool Youngsters and our ABC Early Childhood program. Activities will include academic awards assemblies, Book Fairs, Music Programs, Senior Night, Blood Drives, Red Ribbon Week, Quiz bowl, and Field Day. Information will be shared with parents via the school website, phone system, hopeprescott.com, local radio stations, and flyers. Consideration will be given to ensure that parents of children with disabilities or limited English proficiency have the same access as other parents including informatin in a language and form they can understand. The committee will conduct annual reviews of the effectiveness of the parental involvement policy by reviewing anecdotal data, sign-in sheets, and surveys. The Title I contact person for Blevins Elementary School is Lisa Doss. She is our Title I Coordinator as well as our ACSIP Chairperson. An annual meeting will be held in the spring to update policy for the upcoming school year's Title I, Part A program that will include reviewing present procedures and activities to determine the success of past goals and consider if goals should remain the same or change to better benefit the students of Blevins School District.

Cindy Lee (870-874-2281) is responsible for making sure the above actions are carried out.

The Title I meeting was held on March, 2000. Lisa Doss (870-874-2283) facilitated the meeting.

Cindy Heagwood (870-874-2283) is the Parent Facilitator in elementary. Natalie Jones (870-874-2283) is the Parent Facilitator in high school.

The annual review of effectiveness will be conducted in April, 2015.
Georgia Estes (870-874-2281) Is the ESL Coordinator and is responsible for making sure information is sent home to parents in a language that they can understand.

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Goal 2: How will the district provide coordination, technical assistance, and other support necessary to assist participating schools in planning and implementing effective parental involvement?

Blevins School District will provide coordination, resources, technical assistance, and other necessary support to assist Blevins High School and Blevins Elementary School to plan and implement effective parental involvement. On-going site visits will be conducted to ensure that parental involvement practices are being implemented. Sign-in sheets, agendas, and other anecdotal evidence will be reviewed. Materials and training will be provided to assist parents in supporting their child's academic achievement. The school's handbook will be distributed to inform parents of the school's policies and procedures. A parent center is located on campus and we encourage parents to check out materials that can aid their child academically, socially, or emotionally. A minimum of two hours of Parental Involvement professional development is provided to teachers, and three hours to administrators on a five year cycle basis in the Blevins School District to enhance the awareness and skills of teachers, pupil service personnel, principals, and other staff in reaching out to, communicating with, and working with parents as equal partners. This includes Professional Development on how to engage parents in their child's education through open communication and specific school district documentation practices. Blevins School District employs an ESL Coordinator who ensures that information that is sent home is sent in the parents' native language; This includes school events, policies and procedures, and information on adult literacy training available in the community, Blevins School District will monitor each Title I, Part A school to ensure that each school develops a parental involvement policy, offers flexible meeting times, provides information to parents about the school's programs and includes parent information guides. The Blevins LEA will monitor schools to ensure that training is provided for parents in working with their child to improve academic achievement. Training will be provided for parents to access and utilize HomeAccess, which is an online access to all students real-time grades, schedule, and attendance information. The district will also ensure that Blevins Elementary School (Title I, Part A) develops and uses a School-Parent Compact. The district will reinforce parenting skills to support the acquisition of academic skills and their application in real-life situations for parent use by offering parenting brochures through the school's parenting center and encouraging parents to visit with the school counselor and volunteer in our volunteer programs, such as Watchdogs or Grandparent's Day. Blevins School District will schedule meetings at a variety of times, such as morning and evening, in order to maximize the opportunities for parents to participate in school-related activities and be flexible in scheduling meetings with parents. Open lines of communication are necessary for optimal student success. The district will coordinate and integrate parental involvement strategies and staff training with the Readiness Coalition Committee. An annual school meeting will be held to inform parents of their school's participation in the development of the parental involvement policy and their right to be involved.

CIndy Lee (870-874-2281) will be responsible for making sure site visits are conducted.

Georgia Estes (870-874-2281) is the district's ESL Coordinator.

Lisa Doss (870-874-2283) is the Federal Coordinator and is responsible for monitoring our Title I elementary school.

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Goal 3: How will the district build the school's capacity for strong parental involvement?

Blevins School District maintains a school website to provide information to parents concerning national, state, and local education goals. Brochures that address Common Core implementation are distributed to parents as new information is revealed concerning instructional changes, new classes, or PARCC assessments. The district also addresses parents' rights as defined in Title I, Part A at the public meeting that is held in October of each school year while reviewing district and school programs and providing information concerning national, state, and local education goals. The district will assist in the development of parent engagement groups at each school. Blevins School District will offer resources and support staff to implement and maintain the Watch Dog Program in Blevins Elementary School and volunteer training in the High School. The district will assist and monitor the Alumni program, the Vocational Advisory Committee, the Closing the Gap Taskforce Committee, the Curriculum Committee, both schools' ACSIP teams, and the Handbook Committee to promote and ensure parental engagement. Parents and staff members will be utilized to form partnerships between schools and local businesses. Business leaders will be invited into the school to offer career guidance and offer suggestions on academic improvements. School clubs, such as FBLA, FFA, BETA, and other organizations will work with business and community leaders to enhance student learning and promote our school and community. The Parent Center, preschool teachers, kindergarten teachers, and counselors will offer appropriate brochures, student materials, and books to assist parents in learning about child development, child rearing practices and academic strategies that are designed to help parents become full partners in the education of their child. An annual survey will be given to parents to help determine ways to improve school effectiveness. This survey will be sent home with students and be available on the school website. The Parental Involvement Committee will collect the completed surveys to look for patterns of concern and to help generate ideas for school improvement. The district

will offer appropriate and reasonable financial support to aide in the necessary expenses that are associated with parental involvement activities and this includes requests that are made by Blevins Elementary School, which is a participating Title I, Part A school. The support provided will include financial support, staff support, technical support, and any other appropriate resources.

Cindy Heagwood is our Technology Facilitator and is responsible for updating required information on our school's website. (870-874-2283)

Lisa Doss (870-874-2283) and Jeffery Steed (870-874-2281) are responsible for disseminating information about information that can be obtained on the school's website.

Lisa Doss (870-874-2283) is responsible for developing parent engagements groups in our Title I elementary school and conducting the survey of effectiveness and collecting the results.

Cindy Lee (870-874-2281) is the contact person if additional support for parental involvement activities is needed.
Lisa

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Goal 4: How will the district conduct, with the involvement of parents, ongoing evaluation of the content and effectiveness of the parental involvement policy as it relates to strategies for increasing parental participation and identifying barriers to greater participation?

Blevins School District's annual parent involvement survey will include questioning to help identify barriers to parental involvement such as scheduling of Parent Teacher Conferences, flexible scheduling of school events, school climate, and appreciation of parent volunteers. Parents will be included in the Parental Involvement Committee which will develop procedures to evaluate parent engagement. This will include the analysis of collected data from parent and teacher surveys, sign-in sheets for parent and community events, and volunteer lists and sign-in sheets. Procedures will be developed for collecting parent participation documentation through sign-in lists for workshops, meetings, and conferences: schedules, brochures, meeting notes, and other means as appropriate throughout the year. The parental engagement data that is analyzed, will be used to make recommendations to each participating school for parental involvement policy revision and to provide suggestions for designing school improvement policies as they relate to parental involvement. Based on these findings, HAC is now used to allow parents and students to have access to the student's grades, assignments, and attendance. The school website is also being utilized to disseminate information concerning sporting events, school activities, and school clubs. Teachers are also required to keep a parent contact log to document all forms of communication and to determine the effectiveness. The district will develop and disseminate an annual parent activity evaluation report to share with parents, staff, and the community. This report will be shared at the October Report to the Public meeting and will include what data was reviewed, who reviewed the data, and the implications of the findings and how this analysis will improve parent engagement.

Lisa Doss (870-874-2283) is responsible for conducting the survey to identify barriers that hinder greater parental involvement.

Cindy Heagwood (870-874-2283) and Natalie Jones (870-874-2281) will use the findings from the survey to make recommendations and suggestions concerning the school's parental involvement plan revisions.

Lisa Doss is responsible for preparing the activity evaluation report and share it with the staff, parents and the community.

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Goal 5: How will the district involve parents in the joint development of the district Title I Application under

section 1112 (ACSIP)?

Parents will be recruited to serve on the district ACSIP Committee to develop the Title I Application to help determine the most appropriate and effective ways to utilize funding and resources. Parents will be part of the ACSIP Committee in determining successful academic programs and programs that are no longer meeting school needs. Parents will also be recruited for the district Parent Advisory Committee. Blevins school district will encourage the formation of partnerships between the district and local businesses that includes roles for parents and involve parents through an annual survey to improve district effectiveness.

Lisa Doss (870-874-2283) is responsible for recruiting parents to serve on the Acsip Committee

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Your 2013-2014 district Parental Involvement Plan has been successfully update. All of the required components are included in your plan. No revisions are needed. It can be posted to your website. A copy of the review will be e-mailed to Ms. Cindy Lee. Please retain a copy of that review along with a copy of your 2013-2014 Parental Involvement Plan in your parental involvement documentation files. Thank you for the effort that is evident in the completion of this plan so thoroughly. Best regards, Dr. Mallette