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**Landis Elementary School
Parent Involvement Policy**

A representative group of persons, including Shared Decision-Making Committee (SDC) members, joined together to develop this Parent Involvement Policy for Landis Elementary School. This policy will be posted in the school office, as well as on the school web site for all stakeholders to read. A copy of this policy will be included in the school newsletter. Any suggestions will be considered for future revision.

In order to implement an effective program of parent involvement, Landis Elementary will:

- Conduct an annual meeting (Open House) where parents will meet their child's teacher, learn about the requirements of the school's Title I program, and be given an opportunity to become involved with their child's education.
- Conduct additional meetings throughout the year, in conjunction with the Parent Center and Social Service Team, to remind parents about the requirements and rights under the Title I program. The Parent Center, our professional staff, as well as our administration team will provide assistance to parents (in English and Spanish) in understanding the state's academic content and student achievement standards, as well as local academic assessments. Meetings will also focus on how parents and teachers can work together to improve student achievement. Particular topics and needs from parents will be addressed through monthly Parent Center or Administrator Principal Chat meetings. Landis will monitor students' progress through progress reports every three weeks and report cards every nine weeks.
- Involve parents in the development of the Landis Elementary Campus Improvement Plan (CAP). Parents will be invited to participate in the Shared Decision Committee (SDC). A communication flyer will be sent home requesting interested in being part of SDC. These parents will be invited to our monthly meetings. They will be included in the annual evaluation of this policy, the compact and in the discussion of needs assessment.
- Provide materials and specific training to help parents work with their children to improve achievement. Parent Center and CIS will offer sessions to assist parents in understanding State standards, State and local assessments/requirements, how to monitor a child's progress, and how to work with educators to improve achievement of their children. Our campus staff will be providing training on importance of family engagement.
- Coordinate and integrate family engagement programs and activities with other federal, state, and local programs; such as the family center.
- Landis will educate our para-educators, our specialized instructional team, administrators, and all professional staff to support parents in fully participating in their child's education.
- Provide a varied schedule for meetings, conferences, and volunteer opportunities in order to accommodate the needs of all parents. Parents are able to and encouraged to visit their child's classroom, become a classroom "helper", and accompany their child on field trips, volunteer with our outreach program i.e. Brighter Bites and our administration team have an open door policy welcoming parents input in all aspects of their child's education.
- Landis provides parental support for family engagement activities such as Family Fitness Night, Parents and Pastries, evening library hours twice a month, and Brighter Bites outreach program.
- Conduct a minimum of two scheduled parent conferences during the school year in which progress of the student will be discussed, as well as the expectations for the grade level school curriculum, test information, and any other concerns that the teacher or parent may have.
- Send information about school events and the student performance every week in the Tuesday folder.
- Distribute a monthly newsletter which informs parents of activities, programs, achievements, and other school-related timely information.
- Distribute a school-parent compact that will be designed by parents and school staff that outlines how parents, school staff, and students will share the responsibility for improvement in learning.

Landis Mission Statement

We, the diverse community of Landis Elementary, will strive for greatness by providing a safe and welcoming environment where all stakeholders work collaboratively to produce independent & creative thinkers, productive citizens, and life long learners who believe that success is always obtainable and failure is never an option!

Landis Motto

We remain positive and professional in all that we do!