

Elsik Ninth Grade Center

2019-20 Parent Involvement Policy

ENG, in collaboration with parents, and community, will provide an exemplary education for all students in a safe environment.

Purpose

At Elsik Ninth Grade Center, we believe a strong partnership between the school and home is essential if a quality program is to be provided for all students. We are committed to the philosophy that parent involvement is integral to the success of each student. For this reason, parents are actively recruited as our partners for success. Parents will be invited to participate in the annual revision of the campus School-Family Compact, Parent Involvement Policy, Campus Improvement Plan and Comprehensive Needs Assessment. An updated copy of the parent involvement policy will be posted annually on the campus web page. Two annual meetings

will be held to inform parents of the school's participation in Title I, Part A programs and to explain the Title I, Part A requirements and the rights of parents to be involved in Title I, Part A programs. The meeting will be held at a time that is convenient for parents to attend.

Goals

- Teachers and staff are regularly available for parent conferences throughout the year to discuss student progress. Teachers are mandated to contact parents regarding their child's academic achievement if they fail a major assessment. Students will be given an opportunity for re-teaching/tutoring and provided a second assessment. The higher of these grades will be recorded. Conferences will be held in person or via telephone. Parents will also have opportunities for regular meetings regarding their child's academic or behavioral success.
- Elsik Ninth Grade Center will hold a fall open house meeting and a spring transition meeting along with other meetings such as; monthly parent center meetings and quarterly academic awards, as a forum for parents of students who are participating in the Title I program. Parents will also be encouraged to join the campus Shared Decision Making Council to provide support and input for ENG campus goals. They will have the opportunity to help review, plan or make suggestions to improve the educational program as well as have input in the Parental Involvement Policy and other school policies.
- Elsik Ninth Grade Center Counselors hold parent information sessions during the fall open house to explain high school credit requirements, state exam requirements, and the student four year plan for success in career and college planning. Additional meetings in the spring are also held to review the student requirements. Regular call outs are also made to remind students as well as parents of the important grade deadlines, final exams, credit summaries, transcript evaluations and summer school requirements.
- Elsik Ninth Grade Center will provide on-going training through our Parent Center to assist parents in working effectively with their children to increase achievement. We will provide many opportunities for the participating parents with Limited English Proficiency and parents of students with

disabilities. Our family center on campus strengthens our community by offering the following courses to our parents;

- ESL classes
 - Citizenship courses w/ a graduation ceremony
 - Nutrition development
 - Computer classes
 - Parenting classes
 - Painting classes
 - District Family U conference
 - Diversity and Cultural awareness
- Elsik Ninth Grade Center partners with Harris County Department of Education (HCDE) to encourage families to continue their education. HCDE offers English classes as well as GED programs.
 - Elsik Ninth Grade Center parent liaison assists in recruiting parent volunteers, community service projects, home visits, etc. They are also encouraged to join the campus SDC and ABC committees to provide valuable feedback. Parents are also invited to attend and participate in the Alief Family U Parent Conference.
 - The school will communicate with parents on a consistent and practical basis. Communication will be sent in various languages; i.e. Spanish, Vietnamese, English. Feedback is welcome at all parent involvement activities, one being, a climate survey. Upcoming dates for meetings such as Title I, EOC tutorials and testing dates will also be included. The campus has highly qualified multi-lingual staff members to assist in strong two-way communication with families. Methods of communication include but are not limited to:
 - School Flyers
 - Parent/Teacher Phone Logs
 - School Marquee
 - ENG C Web Page (link from Alief ISD Home Page)
 - Translators can be requested for conferences
 - Alief ISD Student Handbook
 - Automated call-out system (campus)
 - Automated Mass Access Center Via District Web Page
 - Facebook and Twitter
 - Remind 101 Apps
 - The school will maintain records of parent-involvement activities. Parents often serve as greeters and hosts during various events. In addition, they are powerful translators for new families. The following is a list of opportunities that have been created to inform and involve parents:
 - Communities in School Coordinator
 - Student Parent Handbook
 - Progress Reports and Report Cards
 - Meet the Teacher Night (FISH Camp)
 - Open House Night
 - Parent Center Volunteers
 - Shared Decision Making Council Meetings
 - STAAR End of Year Student/Parent Reports
 - TELPAS End of Year Student/Parent Reports

- Skills-based Tutorial Program
- Lunar Year Celebration
- Black History Month Biographies
- Awards Ceremonies
- Teacher Appreciation Week activities
- Saturday Club Activities, i.e. art projects
- Share Your Art Day!
- Career Day!

ANNUAL EVALUATION

Elsik Ninth Grade Center will hold annual meetings to review the school improvement policy and the school-parent compact. A school parent compact will describe school and parent responsibilities.

