



2023-2024 Parent and Family Engagement Policy for Shared Student Success

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School Plan for Shared Student Achievement

What is the School Plan for Shared Student Achievement?

This is a plan that describes how Isaac Lane Elementary will provide opportunities to improve family engagement to support student learning. Isaac Lane values the contributions and involvement of families to establish an equal partnership for the common goal of improving student achievement. This plan describes the different ways that Isaac Lane will support family engagement and how families can help plan and participate in activities and events to promote student learning at school and home.

How is it revised?

Isaac Lane Elementary School invited all families to attend our annual School Forum last spring to review and revise this parent and family engagement policy, the school improvement plan, our school-parent compact, and the family engagement budget. Additionally, family input and comments regarding this plan are welcome during the school year through an online form. The plan is posted on our school website for families to view and submit feedback throughout the year. All feedback received during the year will be used to revise the plan for the next school year. We also distribute an annual survey online and by mail to ask families for their suggestions on the plan and the use of funds for family engagement. Families can also give feedback during several meetings and activities during the school year.

Who is it for?

All students participating in the Title I, Part A program, and their families are encouraged and invited to fully participate in the opportunities described in this plan. Isaac Lane Elementary will provide full opportunity for the participation of parents and family members with limited English, disabilities, and migratory children.

Where is it available?

At the beginning of the year, the plan is included in the student handbook and sent home with all students. As a reminder, we will email the plan to all families in August before the scheduled Open House

event. The plan will also be posted on the school website and social media. Families can also retrieve a copy of the plan from the front office of the school.

What is Title I?

Isaac Lane Elementary is identified as a Title I school as part of The Every Student Succeeds Act (ESSA). Title I is designed to support state and local school reform efforts tied to challenging state academic standards to improve teaching and learning for students. Title 1 programs must be based on effective means of improving student achievement and include strategies to support family engagement. All Title I schools must jointly develop with parents and family members a written parent and family engagement policy.



When students, schools, families, and communities come together - we CAN achieve our goals!

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District Goal

Students will see measurable gains in literacy, numeracy, and college/career readiness through options and opportunities.

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Isaac Lane Elementary School Goals

Students will have an increase in proficiency by 5 percent in ELA and Math as measured by the TN TCAP assessment.

School Focus:

Reading

- ❖ K-3: Reading Fluency

Math

- ❖ K-3: Math Fluency/Geometry



Parent and Family Engagement

Isaac Lane Elementary believes that family engagement means the participation of parents and family members in regular two-way, and meaningful communication involving student academic learning and other school activities, ensuring that:

- ❖ Families play an integral role in assisting their child's learning.
- ❖ Families are encouraged to be actively involved in their child's education at school; and
- ❖ Families 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.

School-Parent Compacts

As part of this plan, Isaac Lane Elementary and our families will develop a school-parent compact. A compact is a written agreement that families, teachers, and students jointly develop to explain how everyone will work together to ensure all students reach grade-level standards. The compacts will be reviewed and updated annually based on feedback from families, students, and teachers during various events. The school-parent compacts are also displayed in each classroom, shared with families during parent-teacher conferences, and posted on our school website, and extra copies are always available in the front office.



Isaac Lane Elementary is branching out!

Isaac Lane Elementary will take the following measures to empower and support families as an important foundation of our school to strengthen the school and reach our goals.



We will:

- ❖ Ensure that all information related to school and family programs, meetings, and other activities are posted on the school website.
- ❖ Provide monthly training for staff during their planning periods on strategies to improve communication with families and ideas to increase family engagement in reading and math for our students outside of the classroom. Staff will also share promising practices in family engagement during regularly scheduled faculty meetings.
- ❖ Partner with early childhood programs, middle and high schools, college- and career-ready resources or organizations, parent resource centers, or other programs (as applicable) to help prepare parents and their children for successful school transition.
- ❖ Share information on the school website and home communication letters for families to understand the school's academic standards and assessments, as well as the ways families can monitor their child's progress and work with educators.
- ❖ Communicate with all families and the community regularly regarding schoolwide events and activities, through phone messages, our website, social media, and flyers.
- ❖ Work with our families to develop relevant training and helpful presentations to educate our staff on the importance of parent and family engagement and how to support student learning.
- ❖ Provide necessary materials and handouts for parents at conferences, meetings, and activities to help parents work with their child to improve their child's achievement.
- ❖ Use our Partners in Education and School Community Team to improve awareness of the activities and events listed in the school parent and family engagement policy.
- ❖ Collect feedback from parents and family members at all events, place input cards around the building, and post a suggestion form on the school website to respond to parents' requests for additional support for parent and family engagement activities.

Isaac Lane is committed to helping our parents and family members attend the events listed in this policy. Please call or email us if you need assistance with childcare or transportation to participate in any of our programs. Angela Searcy, Parent Engagement Coordinator



Let's get together!

Isaac Lane Elementary will host the following events to build the capacity for strong family engagement and support a partnership among the school, families, and the community to improve student academic achievement. See the entire listing of events on our website.

Annual Title I Meet (School Library) #1 – August 3, 2023

We invite you to an evening of learning and sharing about our Title I program, including our parent and family engagement policy, the schoolwide plan, and the school-parent compact. Invitations will be emailed and posted in the school newsletter and on social media.

Parent Orientations – August 3, 2023

Come and meet your child's teacher and the administration!

Annual Title I Meet #2- September 14, 2023

Parent and Family Engagement Standards

Isaac Lane Elementary and our families have adopted the National PTA Standards for Family-School Partnerships as the school's model in engaging parents, students, and the community. These standards are:

- ❖ Welcoming All Families
- ❖ Communicating Effectively
- ❖ Supporting Student Success
- ❖ Speaking Up for Every Child
- ❖ Sharing Power
- ❖ Collaborating with Community



School Community Team

Isaac Lane Elementary invites all families to join the School Community Team to share ideas and ways to involve others to build partnerships with school, families, and the community. The team will meet four times during the school year, but parents and family members can also submit their ideas or suggestions at any school activities and meetings, as well as through our family surveys and website. If you would like to learn more about the School Community Team, please complete the interest form below and leave it in the front office.



School Community Team

- Yes, I am interested and wish to join the School Community Team.
- Please contact me so I can learn more about joining the School Community Team.
- Please send me notifications about future meetings and updates.

Name: _____

Child's Name and Grade Level: _____

Address: _____

Phone Number: _____

Email Address: _____

Share Your Thoughts

We want to hear from you! If you have any suggestions or if there is any part of this policy that you feel is not satisfactory with the students' and the school's goals for academic achievement, please provide us with your comments in the space provided and leave this form in the front office:

Name (optional): _____ Phone Number (optional): _____

Comments: _____
