

FRANCIS R. SCOBEE MIDDLE SCHOOL
Parent & Family Engagement Policy
2018-2019



STATEMENT OF PURPOSE

In accordance with the Every Student Succeeds Act (ESSA), the Parent & Family Engagement Policy is established to provide guidelines for the engagement of parents and families in the school. Francis R. Scobee Middle School is committed to providing the highest level of quality education to prepare our students for academic success.

- **Parent and family engagement is the participation between school, parents and families in a two-way meaningful communication concerning student academic, social or emotional development. The school will provide an equal opportunity for the engagement of all parents and families by providing information and school reports in both English and Spanish.**
- **The Parent and Family Engagement Policy will have as a component the School-Parent Compact constructed and agreed upon by the faculty, parents and students. The school will incorporate the Parent and Family Engagement Policy and the School-Parent Compact into its Campus Improvement Plan. Parents are invited to provide input on the campus improvement plan to administration.**

Parent and Family Engagement Opportunities

- **Communication between parents, school and faculty by phone, Remind (text), conferences, email.**
- **Volunteering on campus committees and activities such as PTA leadership, Career Day, LPAC, Campus Improvement team, Parent Policy team, etc).**
- **Parent Engagement activities such as: Stem Night, Deer Foot, Duke Tip, College PREP Program, Transition to High School/ Middle School meetings, Open House, academic/curriculum nights, state academic standards/State/local and academic assessments and pre-registration information meetings, Bullying/David's Law and Cyber Safety/Social Media.**
- **Parent and Family Engagement Meetings will be offered the 3rd week of each month in morning and afternoon sessions with translation as needed. Childcare can be made available on an as needed basis. Other reasonable support will be made available upon request.**
- **Social Worker/Counselors will provide access to computer stations to train parents to access registration, Parent Portal, district and teacher websites and other online resources.**
- **Southwest ISD Community Education Classes.**

Staff/Parent Communication

- **Parents will be informed of student progress and opportunities for extended learning through conferences, flyers, campus and district websites and campus marquee.**
- **Teacher web pages displaying course description/expectations, grading policy and contact information.**
- **Progress reports sent home after every 3rd week of a grading cycle.**
- **School-Parent Compact**
- **Teachers will receive training at beginning of year on how to successfully engage and communicate with parents.**

Evaluation

- **Invite parents to participate in the end of year District Customer Service Survey and Campus Evaluation.**
- **Annual Revision Meeting of the Parent and Family Engagement Policy and the School-Parent Compact.**

It is the policy of the Southwest Independent School District not to discriminate on the basis of age, race, color, national origin, gender or handicap in its programs, services or activities as required by law, including Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964, as amended; Title IX of the Education Amendments of 1972, and Section 504 of the Rehabilitation act of 1973, as amended.