



Rowland Middle Academy

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Parent and Family Engagement Policy

2022-2023 School Year

The Title I Parent and Family Engagement section of Every Student Succeeds Act (ESSA), Section 1116(b) requires each Title I school to develop a written parent and family engagement policy that describes the means for carrying out the requirements of Section 1116.

Downey School is committed to embracing the inherent value of every child and empowering them to succeed at high levels. Together, with our families and community, we will create a learning environment that champions our students' well-being and success.

Listed below are the expectations for Rowland Academy to ensure that information related to school and parent programs, meetings, and other activities are sent to parents and families of Title I scholars.

Rowland Academy will:

- Present parent and families with engagement policy and collect feedback about changes to be made
- Work with parents and families to create a school-parent compact in order to develop a partnership to help scholars achieve the State's high standards
- Hold a parent and family meeting at the beginning of the school year to inform parents and families of the school's participation in and requirements of Title I and parent's right to participate
- Offer flexible times for parent and family meetings, with both morning and/or evening meetings and make recordings of meetings available on the school website
- Provide surveys to parents to obtain feedback about planning, reviewing, and improving the Title 1 program, including the parent and family engagement program
- Contact parents and families about school events or meetings through the use of school messenger, flyers, and digitally, in a language that parents and families can understand
- Conduct parent conferences twice per year to update parents and families on specifics to their scholar's education
- Offer training and materials to parents and families covering the following topics:



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- How to improve and participate in their scholar's education, including information about PSSAs
- Specific sessions to support student literacy, math, technology use, and more
- Educate teachers and staff on the importance of working with parents and families as partners in scholar's education
- Collaborate with High Schools and Elementary Schools to support parents, families, and students in the transition from 4th grade and to 9th grade.

If you have any questions or concerns, please contact **Melissa Floyd at 717 703-4500** or email **mcrawfordfloyd@hbgd.us**.

Sincerely,

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