

# Parent & Family Engagement Plan

## Title I

### 2024-2025



### TITLE I SCHOOLWIDE PROJECTS

Title I is the largest program of federal funding in education signed into law in 1965 by President Lyndon Johnson. President Johnson recognized the extremely difficult problem that children throughout the country were having with their reading and mathematics. In an effort to help them catch up, extra attention, materials and teachers were provided by the Elementary Secondary Education Act, Title I (ESEA). On December 2015, President Obama signed into law the **“Every Student Succeeds Act”**.

The Title I law requires the meaningful engagement of parents in school level planning, development and design of initiatives to improve student achievement supported by Title I funds.

Our school's **Title I Parent & Family Engagement Plan** was developed following our review of the results from the **School Climate Perception Survey**. The survey is completed each spring by parents, staff, and students to provide an opportunity for them to share their opinions.

### Title I Parent & Family Engagement

The Title I program for parents is designed to 1) Inform parents about Title I regulations, 2) involve parents in local Title I decisions, 3) provide literacy training, 4) offer parents training in schools and in the community on ways to work with their children at home to raise student achievement, and 5) encourage active participation of parents in their children's education.

As a Title I school, **Pizzo K-8** is required to:

- Hold an annual meeting to inform parents of the school's participation in the Title I program, their rights to be involved in the school and the requirements of Title I,
- develop jointly with parents, a written parent & family engagement policy,
- develop jointly with parents, a school-parent compact. The compact must state how parents, the school staff and students will share in the responsibility for improved student achievement and be discussed during a parent/teacher conference,
- provide staff training on parent engagement,
- provide training and materials to help parents work with their children,
- provide (upon request) opportunities for regular meetings to allow parents to participate (as appropriate) in decisions about their child's education and respond to suggestions,
- offer flexible meeting times. Ensure that information sent to parents is in a format and language, to the extent practicable, that parents can understand,
- coordinate with programs and other agencies.
- Each Title I school utilizes a percentage of its Title I allocation to support a comprehensive parent & family engagement program.

The Title I Program funds at **Pizzo K-8** are used to enhance the district's instructional program by:

• **Highly qualified staff:**

Michele Jeffery, ESE Specialist  
Susan Santiago, ELL Resource Teacher  
Lauren Gibbs, Reading Coach  
Brittany Money, Reading Coach  
Morgan Zawada, Math Coach  
Michele Roberts, Math Coach  
Alissa Himelfarb, Science Coach

• **Support parent and community involvement efforts:**

School Website	School Flyers
Sneak Preview/Open House	Family Curriculum Nights
ParentLinks	SAC Meetings
Top Bull Award Ceremonies	Science Olympics
STEM Fair	Winter and Spring Concerts
School Calendar	Conference Nights

• **Improve staff development:**

Professional Learning Communities	
Data Chats	Mental Health and Suicide Prevention
RTI/MTSS	myON
Anchor Charts	Frameworks
SIPPS	Cooperative Learning
Aggressive Monitoring	ABCs of Parent Communication

• **purchase additional instructional materials and supplies:**

Binders	Clipboards
Tape	Glue
Crayons	Erasers
Folders	Scissors
Pencils	

• **add technology and needed equipment.**

Newlines	Mounted projectors
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We would love to hear your comments about the plan! Please fill in the following information and return to **Pizzo K-8**.

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Student Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Comments: \_\_\_\_\_

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# Pizzo K-8

## Title I Parent & Family Engagement Plan

Our plan was developed by our School Advisory Council after reviewing the results of assessment data, the ***School Climate Perception Survey, Review of 2024-2025 School Parent & Family Engagement Plan***, along with comments and additional surveys which reflect the opinions of our parents.

Our plan is structured in support of the ***Six Types of Parent Involvement*** developed by research scientist Joyce Epstein, Ph.D., Sociology, Johns Hopkins University.

The plan may be viewed in its entirety in the ***Parent Information Notebook*** located in the main office and on our school's website.

### • **Standard I—Communicating**

Open House – August 2024  
Title 1 Annual Meeting – September 2024  
PTA Meetings – Monthly  
SAC Meetings – Monthly  
ParentLink – Weekly  
School Website  
School Twitter Account  
School Teacher Email  
Remind messaging application  
School Calendar

### • **Standard II—Parenting**

Conference Nights – September 2024, November 2024, February 2025, April 2025  
Parent Resource Library in Front Office  
Frameworks Parent Meetings  
ELL Committee Meetings  
Child Study Team Meetings

### • **Standard III—Student Learning**

Conference Nights – September 2024, November 2024, February 2025, April 2025  
Title I Parent Meeting – September 2024  
STEAM Fall Festival – October 2024  
Literacy Winter Festival – December 2024  
Cultural/International Festival – April 2025

### • **Standard IV—Volunteering**

Parents are invited and encouraged to volunteer at school through school newsletters and flyers, phone calls, ParentLinks and school website.  
Great American Teach In – Nov 2024  
School Pictures – Fall 2024 and Spring 2025  
Book Fair – Fall 2024 and Spring 2025  
Field Day – Spring 2025  
Field Trip Chaperones  
PTA – School and family events  
Media Center Parent Volunteer

### • **Standard V—Decision making and Advocacy**

SAC Meetings – Monthly  
Student First Day packet includes invitation to join the Parent Teacher Association (PTA) and School Advisory Committee (SAC).  
Open House / Curriculum Night presentations include information and invitations to join PTA and SAC.  
PTA and SAC meetings advertised in Cougar Connection Newsletters

### • **Standard VI—Collaborating with Community**

Back to School BBQ – August 2024  
Great American Teach In – November 2024  
Thanksgiving Meals Assistance – November 2024  
Christmas Gift Assistance – December 2024  
STEAM Fall Festival – October 2024  
Literacy Winter Festival – December 2024  
Movie Night – February 2025  
Cultural/International Festival – April 2025  
More Health, Inc. – student presentations  
USF Athletic volunteers

### School Advisory Council

Barbara Ramirez - SAC Chair  
Ovett Wilson - Administrator  
Susan Santiago - Teacher  
Elizabeth O'Brien - Parent  
Joanna Ofray - Parent

### School Board Members

Nadia Combs  
Stacy Hahn  
Jessica Vaughn  
Patricia Rendon  
Henry Washington  
Karen Perez  
Lynn Gray

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### Superintendent of Schools

Addison Davis

This plan has been jointly developed and agreed upon by our staff and parents. It reflects the goals of our ***Title I School Wide School Improvement Plan*** and the beliefs of our staff, parents and community members.