

West Rusk CCISD

Parent and Family Engagement Policy

Public Law 114-95 Section 1116

Acknowledging that parents/guardians are a student's first teachers and equal partners with the school. Continuing support is essential for academic success. The district must identify the needs of parents and all family members to assist with the learning of their children and must have strategies to support successful school and family interactions. West Rusk CCISD is committed to the following parent and family engagement policy:

- Title I, Part A – parents will annually receive information concerning the implementation of the Title I, Part A program and will be encouraged to offer suggestions for improving/strengthening the program.
- Parents will be given timely information concerning overall student performance standards and expectations Texas Essential Knowledge and Skills (TEKS) and State Standards.
- Parents will be given timely information concerning campus/state assessment instruments: local assessment measures, Texas Primary Reading Inventory (TPRI), State of Texas Assessment of Academic Skills (STAAR), Texas English Language Proficiency Assessment System(TELPAS), Reading Proficiency Test in English, etc.
- Parents will be offered opportunities for learning how to foster improved academic performance for their child (ren). The district will have meaningful involvement with parents and will design evidence-based strategies for more effective parental involvement.
- Parent representatives (including parents of Title I, Part A students) will be involved in decision making by the development, review and evaluation of the campus/district improvement plans.
- The district will provide professional development to staff members about the value of working with families as partners with the goal of improving student achievement to build capacity of all schools within the district.
- Title I, Part A parents will be involved annually in the review/revision of the School/Parent Compact and will coordinate and integrate parent and family engagement strategies with other relevant Federal, State and local programs.
- Title I, Part A parents will be asked to complete surveys seeking evaluation of the Title I, Part A program and parent engagement.
- Parents will annually review/revise this policy.

All students at West Rusk CCISD are considered Title I students. West Rusk CCISD qualifies as a Title I school wide campus because at least 40% of the students are considered economically disadvantaged. This allows the district to use the federal Title I, Part A funds for all students.