

**BRIGHT ELEMENTARY**  
**Parent Involvement Plan**  
**2011-12**

1. When and how will the parent involvement plan be shared with parents of participating students?

- An annual meeting to which all parents are invited will be held at the beginning of the school year to explain the Parent Involvement Plan.
- A copy of the plan will be posted in the Elementary Building.
- The plan will also be posted on the Bright School website.

2. How will the school explain the Schoolwide Federal Program to parents of participating students?

- An annual meeting to which all parents are invited will be held at the beginning of the school year to explain the Schoolwide Federal Program.
- Teachers will also discuss any questions/concerns at parent/teacher conferences.

3. What parent meetings and activities will be provided at the school site, to help parents learn how to be more involved in the successful education of their children? When will these meetings/activities take place?

- Kindergarten Orientation
- Open House
- Bright Nights (Family Nights) 3 during the 2011-12 school year
- Special Events
- Progress reports are given every 4  $\frac{1}{2}$  weeks as well as at the end of each nine week period
- Parent newsletters (Bright Lights) quarterly

4. Describe how the Schoolwide School will involve parents in an organized, ongoing and timely way, in the planning, review and improvement of programs for Parent Involvement and the school level Parent Involvement Plan.

- Parents are members of the School Parent/Community Committee in which the Parent Involvement Plan is discussed along with other school planning.
- Needs Assessment surveys will be conducted annually to determine the effectiveness of the parental involvement program and determine actions that need to be taken, if any, to increase parental participation.
- A Parent Bright Night survey will be distributed at the beginning of the school year to determine parental interests.
- Parent Bright Night Evaluations will be conducted via a suggestion box available at each parent activity to note improvements or suggestions.

5. Describe how the school will provide parents with timely information about programs for parent involvement.

- The school will send home information to parents about upcoming events in a timely manner in flyers.
- Newsletters are sent home as well to provide more details of any parent events that will soon occur.
- Our school website provides information on upcoming events.
- All information is provided in a language and form that parents understand.
- The school will also use phone communication and e-mail when necessary; i.e. "Alert Now" system.

6. Describe how the Schoolwide School will provide parents with a description and explanation of the curriculum in use at the school, the forms for academic assessment used to measure student progress, and the proficiency levels students are expected to meet.

- Parent Open House/Parent Bright Night
- Parent/Teacher Conferences
- Newsletters per grade level
- Schoolwide/Title I handout distributed at Open House
- Bright Night

7. Describe how the Title I school will provide parents with opportunities for regular meetings (if requested), to formulate suggestions, to participate in decisions relating to the education of their children, and to respond to any suggestions as soon as practically possible.

- Parents will be invited to attend School Parent/Community meetings to provide input to the decisions relating to the education of their children.
- Parent/Teacher Conferences
- Parents will be encouraged to request conferences as needed.
- The PTO hosts regular meetings in which parents are encouraged to participate.

8. Describe how the Schoolwide School has developed with parents a school-parent compact and how this compact is distributed to parents.

- The compact was discussed with School Parent/Community committee. It is distributed at the beginning of the school year to all students to be signed and returned. It is also discussed at our annual Parent Bright Night/Open House as well as at parent/teacher conferences. It is provided in a language and form that parents can understand.

Notification is in the student handbook that parents may request information about the professional qualifications of their child's classroom teacher. Parents will receive notification if a district employs a teacher for four or more weeks who does not meet the highly qualified requirements.