

EDGEMONT SCHOOL
2016-2017 FAMILY ENGAGEMENT POLICY

1. Edgemont School will provide necessary support through Professional Development to ensure understanding and implementation of Federal, State, and local standards for family engagement.
 - a. Edgemont School will provide professional development on effective positive relationships and open communications with families.
 - b. Edgemont School will provide professional development on family engagement to all professional and support staff.
2. Edgemont School supports clear articulated goals for the extent and type of family engagement.
 - a. Edgemont School sets goals for increasing the level and quality of family engagement.
 - b. Edgemont's efforts to increase the level and quality of family engagement are well documents, monitored, and evaluated, and best examples of what works are shared.
3. Edgemont School will conduct the necessary evaluations to promote continuous improvement of the engagement of all families.
 - a. The school will conduct an annual assessment of the family engagement policy through the Title 1 Parent Survey.
 - b. The school will review the annual assessment
 - c. Each year's plan will include an annual measurement that will determine progress toward the specific goals of the plan.
4. Edgemont School incorporates family engagement through various family involvement activities.
 - a. Edgemont School will have a designated School Improvement Team to document parent engagement.
 - b. Edgemont School will have a designated School Improvement Team to conduct a yearly assessment of the family engagement policy.
 - c. Edgemont School will incorporate the following parental engagement activities throughout the year:
 - i. Parent Pumpkin Night (Grades Pre-K through 3rd)
 - ii. Content Area Night (Grades 4th through 8th)
 - iii. Open House
 - iv. Grade Level Parent Nights
 - v. School-Home Communication Letters
 - vi. Various Grade Level Newsletters
 - vii. Phone Trees
 - viii. Grade Cards
 - ix. Progress Reports
 - x. RTI Progress Monitoring Sheets
 - xi. School Website
 - xii. Kindergarten and 8th Grade Graduation
 - xiii. Award's Day
 - xiv. Terrific Kids Ceremonies
 - xv. Athletic Events
 - xvi. Builder's Club

- xvii. Personal Communication with Parents
 - xviii. School Marquee
5. Edgemont School will provide parents access to resources related to curricular materials or course of study, as well as, state learning standards in addition to parenting skills.
 - a. Parents will be provided access to various resources on Edgemont’s website in order to gain a deeper understanding of the topics and standards related to their child’s curriculum.
 - b. Edgemont School will maintain a parent resource team that assists in the distribution of information to parents through the school’s website.
 - c. Edgemont School will utilize effective communication to share information about curriculum, achievement standards, and assessments with parents through the school’s website.
 - d. Edgemont School will provide parents with academic achievement focused parenting skills when ask by parents.
 6. Edgemont School incorporates family involvement in decision-making and governance.
 - a. Edgemont School will include families in the decision making process through curriculum development project teams, parent advisory teams, and the school improvement team.
 7. Edgemont School will specify site budget lines to the effective development and implementation of school based engagement programs.
 - a. Edgemont School will be given a specified amount of Title I funds, which are earmarked monies for family engagement programs.
 - b. Through annual reports, thee school will ensure that Title I funds are spent in accordance with program assurances.
 8. Edgemont School endorses and will work to involve all family groups in family engagement activities which are offered at the school.
 - a. School meetings and activities will be scheduled so that they will be accessible to parents.
 - b. Edgemont School will use a program format that is easy for everyone to understand.
 - c. Edgemont school will provide, when informed, interpreters at meetings for parents who do not speak English.

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2016-2017 FAMILY ENGAGEMENT GOALS

1. Edgemont School will develop and implement more parental involvement opportunities for all families.
2. Edgemont School will utilize a variety of communication pathways in order to inform parents about parental involvement opportunities during the 2016-2017 school year.
3. Edgemont School’s School Improvement Team will assess the quality of each parental involvement activity through parental and staff feedback.