

## John C. Diehl Elementary School Home of the Eagles

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## <u>Diehl Elementary Family Engagement Policy</u> 2025-2026

Schools receiving Title I funds shall jointly develop with, and distribute to, Title I parents and family members a written parent and family engagement policy that <u>includes the required components</u> below and a description of how the components are met at the school.

Parents shall be notified of the policy in an understandable and uniform format and to the extent practicable in a language the parents can understand. The policy shall be made available to the local community and updated periodically to meet the changing needs of parents and the school.

- 1. Convene an annual meeting at a convenient time, to which all parents/guardians shall be invited and encouraged to attend, to inform parents of their school's Title I program and to explain the requirements of Title I and the right of parents to be involved.
  - Annual Title I Meeting held in the Fall
  - Parent Right to Know Letter
  - Parent Compact
  - Open House
  - Parent-Teacher Conferences
- 2. Offer a flexible number of meetings, in the mornings, afternoon, or evening, and may use Title I funds, to facilitate parents/guardians' attendance at meeting through assistance with transportation, childcare, refreshments, and parent resources.
- 3. Involve parents, in an organized ongoing, and timely way, in the planning, review, and improvement of the Title I program, including the planning, review, and improvement of the school parent and family engagement policy and the joint development of the schoolwide program plan:
  - Annual Title I Meeting held in the Fall
  - Instructional Leadership Team~ parent participation
  - Ongoing Parent Surveys throughout the year and Title I/Community School Spring Survey
  - Communication with parents via meetings, phone calls, email, Parent Square, Facebook, Diehl Website, Wednesday Folders

## 4. Provide timely information about Title I programs:

- Annual Title I Meeting held in the Fall
- Overview of information provided on Diehl Elementary School website under the "parent' tab
- Open House/Parent Conferences
- Title I Packet--including Parent Right to Know/Family Engagement Policy/Parent Compact, and Comprehensive School Improvement Plan distributed annually
- 5. Provide parents/guardians with a description and explanation of the curriculum in use at the school, the forms of academic assessment used to measure student progress, and the achievement levels of the challenging State academic standards:
  - Overview of the information provided on Diehl Elementary School website under the "parent" tab
  - Annual Title I Meeting held in the Fall
  - Open House
  - DIBELS and IReady Assessment reports and quarterly progress reports sent home to parents
  - PSSA Results
  - Parent Conferences
- 6. Provide, if requested by parents/guardians, opportunities for regular meetings to formulate suggestions and to participate, as appropriate, in decisions relating to the education of their children, and respond to any suggestions as soon as possible:
  - Ongoing Parent Surveys throughout the year and Title I/Community School Spring Survey
  - Annual Title I Meeting held in the Fall
  - Parent Conferences
  - Parent-Teacher Meetings
  - Communication with parents through phone calls, email, Parent Square, Facebook, Diehl Website, Wednesday Folders
  - 504/IEP (Individualized Education Plan)/GIEP(Gifted Individualized Education Plan) meetings
  - Soliciting parents'/guardians' suggestions in the planning, development, and operation of the Title
    I program and parent compact
- 7. If the schoolwide plan is not satisfactory to Title I parents, submit any parent comments on the plan when the school makes the plan available.
  - Schoolwide plan made available in multiple languages on Diehl Elementary School website under the "parent" tab
  - Annual Title I Meeting held in the Fall
  - Instructional Leadership Team~ parent participation
- 8. Shall educate teachers, specialized instructional support personnel, and other staff, with the assistance of parents, in the value and utility of contributions of parents and family members, and in how to reach out to, communicate with, and work with parents and family members as equal partners, implement and coordinate parent programs, and build ties between parents and family members and the school.
  - State Parent Advisory Council—parents assisting in the education of teachers
  - Professional Development of teachers utilizing parent survey suggestions

- Instructional Leadership Team~ parent participation
- Grade Level Meetings
- Ongoing Parent Surveys throughout the year and Title I/Community School Spring Survey
- Professional Learning Teams~ educating teachers based on needs of students and parents
- PBIS (Positive Behavior Interventions and Supports) Committee parent participation
- 9. Describes how the school will aid parents in understanding the State's academic content standards and student achievement standards, local academic assessments and how to monitor a child's progress and work with teachers to improve the achievement of their children.
  - Overview of the information provided on Diehl Elementary School website under the "parent" tab
  - Annual Title I Meeting held in the Fall
  - Open House
  - DIBELS and IReady Assessment Reports sent home to parents in the Fall, Mid-Year, and Spring
  - PSSA Results are mailed in the Summer
  - Quarterly Progress Reports
  - Infinite Campus Parent Portal
  - Progress Monitoring Parent Reports
  - Communication with parents through phone calls, meetings, emails, Parent Square, Facebook,
    Diehl Website, Wednesday Folders
  - Parent Conferences
- 10. States that a school-parent compact was jointly developed with parents and the compact outlines how parents, the entire school staff and students will share in the responsibility for improved student achievement.
  - Annual Title I Meeting held in the Fall
  - Overview of the information provided on Diehl Elementary School website under the "parent" tab
  - Open House
  - Wednesday Folders, Facebook, Parent Square
  - Parent Conferences
- 11. Describes how the school provides materials and training to help parents to work with their children to improve their children's achievement, such as literacy training and using technology, as appropriate, to foster parent involvement.
  - Overview of the information provided on Diehl Elementary School website under the "parent" tab
  - Parent Training Workshops
  - Parent Resource Handouts
  - Annual Title I Meeting held in the Fall
  - Academic resources will be provided at parent request
- 12. States how the school will, to the extent feasible and appropriate, coordinate, and integrate parent involvement programs and activities with other Federal, State, and local programs including public preschool programs and conduct other activities, that encourage and support parents and family members in more fully participating in the education of their children.
  - Instructional Leadership Team Meetings~ parent participation

- Community School Learning Team Meetings~ parent participation
- Schoolwide Family Events/Activities
- Parent Training Workshops
- 13. States how the school will ensure that information related to school and parent programs, meetings, and other activities is sent to the parents and family members of participating children in a format and to the extent practicable, in a language the parents and family members can understand.
  - Translated Documents
  - Translators and Interpreters available upon request
  - Printed materials translated on Diehl Elementary website under the "parent" tab
  - Google Translate
  - What's Up App
  - Parent Square translation available
- 14. States how the school, to the extent practicable, will provide opportunities for the informed participation of parents and family members (including parents and family members who have limited English proficiency, parents and family members with disabilities, and parents and family members of migratory children).
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