

Bell Elementary Parent Involvement Plan

PURPOSE: Tulsa Public Schools shall promote parent involvement in all schools as mandated by Title I, No Child Left Behind Act of 2001 and work as equal partners with parents in providing quality learning experiences for every student, every day, without exception.

The Board believes and acknowledges that parent involvement raises the academic achievement level of students. Additionally, parents become empowered, teacher morale improves and communities grow stronger when parents take an active role in educating their children. To this end, schools shall involve parents in the education of their children at all grades levels. The Superintendent or his/her designee shall provide coordination, technical assistance and other support necessary to assist all schools in planning and implementing effective parent involvement activities to improve student academic achievement and school performance. Public Law 107-110, No Child Left Behind; section 1118-Title I Parent Involvement establishes that to build capacity for parent involvement within schools, a district is to “develop jointly with, agree on with, and distribute to parents of participating children a written Parent Involvement Policy”.

Building Parents Capacity for Involvement

The Board believes that empowering parents to insist on improvement and giving schools extra incentive to do so and by giving parents options regarding their children’s education helps the district to realize it’s for “Excellence and High Expectations with a Commitment to All” for patrons of the community. As a result of this belief, the Board shall create an environment of supportive and collaborative parent involvement.

1. Program Information for Parents: Bell Elementary School shall provide assistance to parents of all children in understanding such topics as the state’s academic content and achievement standards, the assessments being used, the requirements of Title 1, Part A, No Child Left Behind (NCLB) and how to monitor their children’s progress and work with educators to improve their achievement.
2. Materials and Training: Bell Elementary School shall provide materials and training, such as literacy training and training on how to use technology, to help parents work with their children to improve achievement.
3. Educate Educators: Bell Elementary School shall educate teachers, pupil services personnel, principals and other staff, with the assistance of parents, in the value and utility of contributions of parents, and in how to reach out to, communicate with, and work with parents as equal partners, implement and coordinate parent programs and build ties between parents and the school.
4. Preschool Coordination: Bell Elementary School shall “to the extent feasible and appropriate,” coordinate and integrate parental involvement with the Head Start, Even Start, and other preschool programs, and conduct other activities, such as parent resource centers, that encourage and support parents in more fully participating in the education of their children.

5. Understandable Communication: Bell Elementary School shall ensure that information related to school and parent programs, meetings and other activities is sent to the parents of all children in a format, and, to the extent practicable, in a language the parents can understand.

6. Other Requested Activities: Bell Elementary School shall provide such other reasonable support for parental involvement activities as parents may request:

- Title 1 Meeting
- Meeting the Teacher
- Back to School Night Event
- Parent-Teacher conferences
- Partners In Education
- PTA
- Parent(s) sign agenda
- Monthly Parent Newsletter
- Teacher-made activities relating to the skill being taught for parents to use
- Progress reports
- School Website- bell.tulsaschools.org
- Biz Town
- Report Cards
- Winter Program
- I Love You Program (Pre-K and KG)
- Family Literacy Nights (Fall, Spring)
- PowerSchool- Parent Portal for class assignments and activities
- Parent call in system in English and Spanish (School Connects, School Way)
- After School Clubs
- PTA – Valentine Bingo
- PTA – Turkey Bingo
- Fall Family Event
- Boy Scouts
- Coding (Afterschool Club)
- Coffee with Principal
- Safety Patrol
- Student Council
- Dance
- Monthly Grade Level Meeting (1 month per grade level)

Tulsa Public Schools District Core Goals:

1. Equity
2. Character
3. Excellence
4. Team
5. Joy

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Legal Reference

No Child Left Behind Act of 2001, P.L. 107-110, Title I