



2024-2025 Dale Cassens Education Complex

Parent Family Engagement Plan

Mission:

Our mission is to ensure all students graduate from safe and caring schools, equipped with the knowledge, skills, and desire to succeed.

Involvement of Parents/Families

Dale Cassens will offer a variety of parent and family engagement events to strengthen its school-home family and community partnership. In partnership with families, Dale Cassens will involve the community in the students' education through curriculum events, academic conferences, recognition events, college-ready events, and informational sessions.

- Parents and community members may serve on the School Advisory Council (SAC). Parents interested in becoming a member of SAC may contact Dale Cassens at, (772) 468-5190 or locate the meeting on the school's website.
- Members of SAC will be involved with the planning, reviewing, and improvement of Title I programs including involvement in decision-making of how funds for Title I will be used [ESEA Section 1116].
- Members of SAC can review the School Improvement Plan, Parent and Family Engagement Plan, and decide how Title I funding will be allocated at a 51% vote.
- SAC meetings will be held virtually with the option of in-person to accommodate members without a virtual platform. SAC members will receive the scheduled meetings through email, social media platforms, phone, School Messenger alerts, and paper-based flyers to strengthen parent/family and community school-home involvement.
- Parents/ Families of other languages will receive additional communication in their native language.

Coordination and Integration with Other Federal Programs

- Exceptional Student Education and IDEA
- Title IX (McKinney Vento Act - Homeless Education)
- Early Childhood Education/Kindergarten Kickoff
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Annual Parent Meeting

- The Annual Title I Parent meeting will be held by November 15, 2024. Families will be informed of the Annual Title I Parent meeting through Teams invite posted on the school site, social meeting page, flyers, and phone.
- The school performance data and the rights of parents are communicated during the meeting. A recording of the Annual Title I Parent meeting will be available on the school's website.
- Parents/families will receive a link to the Annual Title I Parent Question Form through the school's website, social media page, Skyward Family Access, and grade/content level communication.

- Parents can access the qualifications of the teachers and staff members who directly work with their child can contact Dale Cassens at, (772) 468-5190.
- Parents/ families of other languages will receive a version of the form in their native language.

Flexible Parent Meetings

- Parents and families will be offered flexible times and dates to strengthen school-home engagement. Times and dates are determined from feedback provided by parents and families through the Parent and Family Engagement feedback survey.
- Parent-teacher conferences may be requested by the parent/guardian to discuss the behavior and academic progress of their child. Parents have the right to bring additional person(s) to parent-teacher conferences and parent-teacher-student (PST) meetings.
- Parent conferences and meetings are made available on multiple platforms as follows: virtual, in-person, and by phone.
- In efforts to communicate with parents and families of other languages, an interpreter will be provided during the conferences/meetings.
- Title I funding may provide opportunities for transportation, childcare, or home visits, as such services relate to parent and family engagement [ESEA Section 1116].

Building Capacity for Involvement

- Dale Cassens provides parents/families opportunities to support school-home engagement to strengthen academic achievement and build meaningful parent/family engagement activities. Dale Cassens Education Complex plan for family experiences as follows:
 - High School/ Middle School Family Title I Night (Curriculum Night)
 - Elementary School Family Title I Night (Curriculum Night)
 - Transition Graduations (All Levels)
 - MAPP Student Led Conference-Title I
 - Drop into Graduation

Additional Activities

- College Career Ready Family Night
- Literacy Week
- Black History Month Fair
- Recognition Award Ceremony
- Dale Cassens understands the importance of building relationships with parents/families to improve student achievement and behaviors.
- Activity materials provided to parents/families help support their child's academics and assist with other reasonable support for parent/family engagement activities.

Staff Development

- Gradebook and Family Skyward Access
- Family Communication sheet
- Data Communication to Family

Communication

- Title I information will be sent to parents/families about programs and activities as follows: email, phone, school's website, social media, and flyers. Parents/families will receive communication in the language preferred.
- Parents/families will be notified of curriculum, academic assessments, progress, and proficiency level students are expected to meet by a variety of communication that includes teacher-home communication, email, phone, conferences, and informational sessions as outlined in building capacity for involvement.
- Parent-teacher conferences may be requested with flexible times and dates by the parent/guardian to discuss the behavior and academic progress of their child.
- Language-preferred requests may be made by the parent/guardian for meetings/conferences.
- All conferences/ meetings are opened to parent/family suggestions and opportunities to strengthen school-home communication and the decision-making process for their child's academic and behavioral progress.

Accessibility

- Dale Cassens will provide opportunities for participation in parental involvement activities for all parents and share information related to school and parent programs, meetings, school reports, and other activities in an understandable format and related to the parents'/families' preferred language.
- School-wide activities and programs will be communicated through Dale Cassens's school website, social media page, flyers, email, and when applicable the School Messenger phone alert.
- All digital sessions will be posted on Dale Cassens's school site, and social media page, and when applicable provided by grade-level teachers or the Parent and Family Engagement Liaison for parents/families that are unable to attend school-wide events or programs.

Barriers

- Provide language-preferred translations/translators for school events, programs, and materials.
- Varied platforms for transportation/ homelessness (virtual, digital materials, paper copies)
- Varied platforms of communications as follows: email, School Messenger phone alert, flyers, school website/social media page, and teacher communication.
- Disabled Parents/Families will be provided with accessibility to the school facility and varied platforms of communication/ access to strengthen participation in school activities.