

Lott Elementary Parent Involvement Policy

Statement of Purpose

Lott Elementary is committed to the goal of providing a quality education for every child. In order to accomplish this goal, partnerships must be established with parents and the community. Everyone gains if school and home work together to promote high achievement for our children. Neither home nor school can do the job alone. Parents play an extremely important role as children's first teachers. The district recognizes and encourages parents in the four key roles that they play in their children's learning as:

- Teacher – helping their child at home,
- Supporter – contributing their skills to the school,
- Advocate – helping their child receive fair treatment, and
- Decision Maker – participating in joint problem-solving with the school at every level.

Parent Involvement in Developing the Policy

The Campus Improvement Committee is composed of parents, community leaders, business representatives, and district personnel. The committee has direct input in the development and revision of the parent involvement policy on an annual basis. Parent comments from parent/teacher conferences, parent surveys, and other meetings to solicit parent input are used in the development and revision of this policy.

Lott Elementary Parent/Student/School Compact

In order for school, parents, and students to share responsibility for high student achievement, the Lott Elementary Parent/Student Compact is reviewed each year by the Campus Improvement Committee. The compact is included in the student handbook for the school official, parent and student to sign and return to the home campus. A copy is distributed to parents. The compact outlines school, parent, and student responsibilities necessary for effective learning to take place.

Types of Parental Involvement

The superintendent, in coordination with the principal, provide technical assistance and other support necessary to help the school plan and implement effective parental involvement efforts. Realizing the value of parents and their contribution to the partnership of creating successful students, input will be requested to assist education personnel in building upon that partnership relationship to strengthen ties between home and school.

The following are possible opportunities for home-school partnerships that parents are encouraged to take advantage of throughout the year.

- Open House - Meet the Teacher Night – Back to School Night
- R-L ISD School/Parent/Student Compact
- Annual Title I Meeting
- R-L ISD Website/LES Webpage
- Parent/Teacher Conferences
- Parent Teacher Organization (PTO)
- Parent School Volunteers
- Student Surveys/Parent Surveys/Staff Surveys

Questions, concerns, and/or comments may be directed to Natalie Parcus, Principal, at 254-584-4251.