



New Kensington-Arnold School District

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H.D. BERKEY ELEMENTARY PARENT INVOLVEMENT PLAN 2015-2016 School Year

H.D. Berkey Elementary School, in accordance with District Policy 918 will:

- *Convene an annual meeting for parents to inform parents of their participation in Title I Schoolwide Programs, the parent involvement requirements and their right to be involved.
- *Involve parents in an organized, ongoing, and timely way, the planning, review, and improvement of programs under Title I.
- * Invite parents to building level meetings to create Parent Compacts and review the District Parent Involvement Policy and make recommendations for changes. These compacts will outline how parents, school staff, and students will share the responsibility for improved student academic achievement and the means by which the school and parents will build and develop a partnership to help children achieve the State's academic standards.
- *Provide parents timely information pertaining to Title I Schoolwide programs, a description of the curriculum in use at the school, the forms of assessments used to measure student progress and the proficiency levels students are expected to meet.
- *Provide parents opportunities for regular meetings at a variety of times, to formulate suggestions and to participate, as appropriate, in decisions relating to the education of their children.
- *Provide materials and training to help parents work with their children to improve achievement such as literacy training and using technology, as appropriate, to foster parental involvement.
- *Educate teachers, principals and school staff with the assistance of parents, in the value of parent contribution, how to reach, communicate, and work with parents as equal partners, implement and coordinate parent programs, and build ties between parents and the school.
- *To the extent of feasibility, coordinate and integrate parent involvement programs and activities with Head Start and other local ECEs.
- *Ensure the information related to school, parent programs, meetings, and other activities are sent to parents of participating children in a format and language the parent can understand.
- *Fund expenses associated with parent involvement activities to enable parents to participate in school related meetings and training sessions.

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2015-2016 Parent Involvement Trainings and Activities

- Family Literacy Nights – one per year. These events will be held in conjunction with the primary schoolwide buildings when applicable and will include the community early childhood educators when applicable. Topics will be determined after the start of school and will be based on available presenters.
- Math Nights for Parents – the math coach and specialists will present several math nights to instruct parents on the changes to the new math curriculum and to teach them the strategies that the students are learning.
- Parent-Teacher Conferences - November
- ROAR Learning Packs
- RTII Parent Meetings
- Bi-Monthly Math Challenges
- 1st Grade Math Wizards
- School based book fairs – one per semester. Parents will be invited to attend a meeting in which building specific issues are discussed, then shop at the book fair for reading resources for their children.
- Parent trainings sponsored by the district and 2 other surrounding school districts (Burrell and Kiski Area)
- Reading Center Skill Reinforcement Homework
- Holiday Book Reports

2015-2016 Parent Communications

- Notices sent home by teachers concerning individual class activities when appropriate.
- Building wide notices sent home about specific events when appropriate.
- Grades and information are posted on Skyward and are updated weekly.
- Information is posted on the district website and is regularly updated.
- Monthly Reading and Math and Science newsletters are sent home to parents.
- Report cards are sent home every nine weeks.
- Midterm reports are sent home to all students.