

Sul Ross Elementary
Campus Family Involvement Policy
2017-2018

The primary goal of family involvement at Sul Ross Elementary is to promote education as a family activity. Parents and family members are considered each child's first and most important teachers. Sul Ross will work to build partnerships with families to achieve educational success for each child.

Goal 1: Sul Ross will promote strong communication between the home and school.

This goal will be promoted by:

- Communication from school to home written in the language of the home.
- Teacher contact information made available to all families.
- Weekly folders sent home on Tuesday of each week.
- Parent Link phone messages will be used for special announcements.
- Teacher/Parent Conferences conducted each semester.
- School websites provide current information.
- Newsletter from principal and teachers sent out weekly to parents.
- Use technology apps to communicate- Ex. REMIND, Twitter, etc.

Goal 2: Sul Ross will welcome all families to the school.

This goal will be promoted by:

- Training faculty and staff to be open and friendly to all families and guest.
- Providing information to all parents on the importance of parent involvement.
- Signs posted throughout the building instructing parents to sign-in at the main office.
- Meet the teacher personal letters to introduce teachers to students at the beginning of the year.

Goal 3: Sul Ross will offer Family Involvement Activities and Events at school to help build relationships with families and promote family involvement.

This goal will be promoted by:

- Hosting events during preferred times and locations.
- Providing snacks and childcare as needed for events.
- Offering family-friendly events where children and parents participate together.
- Hold events that include student celebration, presentations, and family activities.
- Parent Orientation for each grade level.
- PTO Business meeting and Student Performances.
- Social Activities (Meet the Teacher, Family Game Night, Fall Family Night, STAAR information night for parents)
- Parent information classes about attendance at school

Goal 4: Sul Ross will provide Parenting Support for learning at home.

This goal will be promoted by:

- Orientation/Transition/Family Involvement Event
- Parent/Teacher Conferences.

- Transitioning Support for Kindergarten/Elementary and Elementary to Intermediate School
- Campus parenting support through campus website, focus groups and programs at school.
- Parent Connection Letter sent home monthly.
- Social skills information in campus newsletter

Goal 5: Sul Ross will train faculty and staff in ways to enhance family involvement.

This goal will be promoted by:

- Provide staff development on the importance of parent involvement.
- Provide staff with ways to reach out to parents, communicate, and work with parents as equal partners in the education of each student.

Goal 6: Sul Ross will work to increase the number of families involved in their child's education, particularly families:

- With Migrant children.
- Students identified as homeless.
- Of English-language learners.
- Students enrolled in Special Education.
- Economically disadvantaged.
- Of disabled students.

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- Teachers and Staff will contact parents about the positive effects of Parent Involvement.
- Staff will identify resources to help meet needs that present barriers to families.
- Goal setting conferences and Response to Intervention (RTI) collaboration meetings with parents and identify goals, resources and interventions.

Annual Review of the Family Involvement Policy

Meetings will be held annually to discuss and review the campus family involvement plan, programs, budget, and changes. A survey will be sent to all parents and families throughout the year to gain input from all stakeholders. An evaluation committee will review parent input and approve revisions for a new plan.

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