



Student Policies BP 01-08

Board Policy: PARENT INVOLVEMENT

The Board of Directors recognizes that parents/guardians are their children's first and most influential teachers and that sustained parent involvement in the education of their children contributes greatly to student achievement and a positive school environment. The Superintendent/CEO or designee shall work with staff and parents/guardians to develop meaningful opportunities at all grade levels for parents/guardians to be involved in all GCC schools and school activities; advisory, decision-making, and advocacy roles; and activities to support learning at home.

Parents/guardians shall be notified of their rights to be informed about and to participate in their children's education and of the opportunities available to them to do so.

The Superintendent/CEO or designee shall regularly evaluate and report to the Board on the effectiveness of the GCC schools parent involvement efforts, including, but not limited to, input from parents/guardians and school staff on the adequacy of parent involvement opportunities and barriers that may inhibit parent/guardian participation.

Title I Schools

Each year the Superintendent/CEO or designee shall identify specific objectives of the GCC's parent involvement program for all GCC schools that receive Title I funding. He/she shall ensure that parents/guardians are consulted and participate in the planning, design, implementation, and evaluation of the parent involvement program. (Education Code 11503)

The Superintendent/CEO or designee shall ensure that the GCC's parent involvement strategies are jointly developed with and agreed upon by parents/guardians of students participating in Title I programs. Those strategies shall establish expectations for parent involvement and describe how the GCC will carry out each activity listed in 20 USC 6318. (20 USC 6318)

The Superintendent/CEO or designee shall consult with parents/guardians of participating students in the planning and implementation of parent involvement programs, activities, and regulations. He/she also shall involve parents/guardians of participating students in decisions regarding how the GCC's Title I funds will be allotted for parent involvement activities. (20 USC 6318)

The Superintendent/CEO or designee shall ensure that each school receiving Title I funds develops a school-level parent involvement policy in accordance with 20 USC 6318.

Non-Title I Schools

The Superintendent/CEO or designee shall develop and implement strategies applicable to each school that does not receive federal Title I funds to encourage the involvement and support of parents/guardians in the education of their children, including, but not limited to, strategies describing how the GCC and schools will address the purposes and goals described in Education Code 11502. (Education Code 11504)

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