Central Elementary

Parent Involvement Information Packet

2018/2019

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Parental Involvement Plan Packet

Parent Involvement Program

We believe that a partnership must exist between our parents and our school. We promote positive communication between the school and our students' homes.

Our Parent involvement committee developed the following list of services and activities to promote parent involvement and provide additional support for student learning.

- School staff will communicate in many different ways to provide additional information to parents and to increase parent involvement in supporting classroom instruction.
- The school will hold family nights, conferences, and activities regularly throughout the year to increase parent involvement and build staff and parent capacity to engage in these types of efforts. **Jill McClaren**, School Parent Facilitator, will ensure the school's parent involvement committee meets at least quarterly to establish, discuss and evaluate committee goals, to plan trainings and provide materials to help parents work with their children, and to develop and use the School-Parent Compact (Title I schools).
- The school will provide information to parents about volunteer opportunities.
- The school will provide an opportunity for parents to engage in decision-making processes in regarding the school's program.
- The school will provide a parent resource center for parents.
- The school will engage parents in an evaluation of parental involvement efforts through a survey at the end of the year.

Central Elementary School Motto/Vision/Mission Statement

Motto

Reaching New Heights-Soaring to Excellence

Vision

Our vision is for Central Elementary School to be a safe and loving environment full of positive, caring teachers and staff meeting the academic, physical, and emotional needs of each child – whatever it takes.

Mission

Our mission is to provide a learning environment which:

- Places the child first in all decisions made.
- Uses best practices and the latest technology.
- Sets high expectations for all staff, parents and students.
- Supports all students and helps them reach their individual potential.
- Communicates and works as a team with parents and the community to ensure each child's success.

SCHOOL-PARENT COMPACT

Central Elementary School and the parents of the students participating in activities, services, and programs funded by Title I, Part A of the Elementary and Secondary Education Act (ESEA) agree this compact outlines how the parents, the entire school staff, and the 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 that will help children achieve Arkansas's high standards. *This school-parent compact is in effect during the 2017-2018 school year*.

SCHOOL RESPONSIBILITIES

Central Elementary School will:

1. Provide high-quality curriculum and instruction in a supportive and effective learning environment that enables the participating children to meet Arkansas's student academic achievement standards as follows:

Van Buren Instructional Model

- <u>Content-</u> Learners construct or build knowledge through processes that include conceptual engagement, organizing knowledge and metacognition.
- Process- Explicit Instruction Model: Explain, Model, Guided Practice, Independent Practice, Apply, Create and Share
- <u>Content-</u> Comprehensive Literacy, Standards-Based Math, Inquiry-Based Science
- 2. Hold parent-teacher conferences (at least annually in elementary schools) during which this compact will be discussed as it relates to the individual child's achievement. Specifically, those conferences will be held:

October 17th & 19th 3:30-6:30pm & March 27th & 29th 3:30-6:30pm

3. Provide parents with frequent reports on their children's progress. Specifically, the school will provide reports as follows:

1st Quarter

Progress Reports-Sept 13
End of 1st Quarter-Oct 12
Report Card Distribution- Oct 16
3rd Quarter
Progress Reports-Feb 5
End of 3rd Quarter-Mar 8
Report Card Distribution- Mar 12

<u>2nd Ouarter</u>

Progress Reports-Nov 15 End of 2nd Quarter-*Dec 21* Report Card Distribution- Jan 15

4th Quarter

Progress Reports-Apr 16 End of 4th Quarter-May 29 Report Card Distribution- Last Day of school

- 4. Provide parents reasonable access to staff. Specifically, staff will be available for consultation with parents as follows:
 - Central Elementary School believes a successful partnership with parents is the key to student success. Teachers will communicate regularly with parents concerning classroom goals and activities, as well as individual information on student progress. If a situation arises which requires the immediate attention of the student's teacher or principal, parents may call the school to schedule a conference or contact the teacher via email.
- 5. Provide parents opportunities to volunteer and participate in their child's class, and to observe classroom activities, as follows:

18-19 Central Dates To Remember

Opportunities for Parent Involvement:

- *A<u>ug 9</u> Open House|Kindergarten Orientation (All Required) K-2 4:15-7:15pm and 3-5 5:00-8:00pm
- *<u>Sept 24-28</u> Book Fair
- *Sept 25 Grandparents Breakfast K-1
- *Sept 27 Grandparents Breakfast 2-5
- * <u>Sept 27</u> Title 1 Report 5:00, Report to Public 5:15, Literacy/Math/Science Night 5:30-7:00
- *Sept 28-Second Title 1/Report to Public after Rise and Shine
- *Oct 3 Fall Pictures
- *<u>Oct 16 & 18</u> Parent Teacher Conferences 3:30-6:30
- *Nov 13 Picture Retakes!
- *<u>Dec 6</u>-PTA Movie/Cookie Night with Santa Pictures!
- *<u>Dec 10-14</u> PTA Santa Shop!
- *Feb 21 Winter Carnival 5:30-7:30
- * March 6 K-2 Spring Pictures and Class Pictures
- *March 7-15 Book Fair
- *March 12 & 14 Parent Teacher Conference 3:30-6:30
- *April 23-K Cap and Gown Pictures
- *May 2 PTA Glamour/Car Show 5:30-7:00
- *May 24 Fun Day
- *May 29 Last day of school (may change due to inclement weather occurring during the school year)

PARENT RESPONSIBILITIES (Created by Central Elementary Parents)

We, as parents, will support our children's learning in the following ways:

- Check our children's communication log daily and try to communicate easily with teachers.
- Volunteer when needed such as class parties, PTA nights and activities.
- Actively read nightly with my child, checking for books in their black reading bag.
- Check our child's folder nightly for homework and be an active participant in completing homework (word study, math, etc).
- Make sure our child eats breakfast whether at home before school or getting my child to school on time to eat breakfast at school.
- Make sure our children are in bed early so they are rested and ready to learn.
- Make sure our children attend school regularly by making it a priority.
- Make sure our children are prepared for class by arriving on time with the materials needed for the day.
- Support our children in math and literacy nights
- Start every day in a positive way.
- Frequently visit the CES Facebook page, CES website, and Twitter account to keep up to date with school events.
- Encourage students to participate in online enrichment provided by the school such as EPIC and ST Math.
- Participate in school wide activities.
- Dress students appropriately for school

September 21 October 26

November 16 January 25

March 29

STUDENT RESPONSIBILITIES (Created by Central Elementary School 5th Graders)

We, as students, will share the responsibility to improve our academic achievement and achieve Arkansas's high standards. Specifically, we will:

- Be at school ready to learn on time each day.
- Take care of class materials, library books, and school property.
- Try your best each day with a positive attitude
- Be a role model to others by making Central a positive place to learn.
- Come prepared and be responsible for belongings.
- Dress appropriately.
- Always participate in group activities.
- Follow directions the first time they are given.
- Be respectful to faculty, staff, and peers.
- Show kindness to others
- Report bullying to a trusted adult
- Make school attendance a priority

Parent Involvement Opportunities

Central parents are invited to attend PTA meetings, Rise and Shine assemblies, and are always welcome to visit the principal & classroom teachers.

Two-Way Communication Venues/Opportunities
Facebook, Daily Communication Folders, Phone Calls, Emails, Celebrations &
School Conferences

If there are any questions please contact:

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For volunteering, complete and return form below or go to link and complete survey online. Thank you

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Central Elementary Central Volunteers Make the Difference

At Central Elementary School, we love our volunteers! Please give us some information and let us know how you would like to become involved.

Your I	Name
Cell P	honeEmail
Stude	nt's Name
	Grade Teacher's Name
Ways to E	Become Involved at Central
Please check	next to all areas in which you are interested in helping
Centra	al Events
	PTA Family Nights Winter Festival (evening events) Grandparent's Day (morning school event) Book Fairs (during the school day) Holiday Shop (during the school day) ng at School
<u> </u>	Shelving Books Homeroom Mom Parties and Celebrations Help PTA with Holiday Handouts
Help (Outside of School
<u> </u>	Count Box Tops Provide Food For a Special Event (Parent-Teacher Conferences, Staff Appreciation)
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