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## Butterfield Trail Middle School Parent Engagement Plan Summary, 2022-2023

### Involving YOU in YOUR child's education

The goal of the Butterfield Trail Middle School faculty and staff is to involve families in many ways:

- To encourage and assist guardians in becoming proactive in their child's education.
- To ensure that communication with caregivers is an open and active process so that guardians are recognized as integral to their child's education.
- To provide families with materials and support to help them with their role as a caregiver.
- To include guardians, students, faculty, and staff in decision making and advisory committees to ensure involvement of all parties in the education process.
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### We want to hear from YOU

BTMS will communicate with families in a variety of open and active ways:

- Newsletter with events, student news, parenting tips and resources, and other information. These will be sent out through the Peachjar app. Parents can sign up and view on the website.
- Facebook, Instagram, and Twitter accounts on the school website.
- School website with information on clubs, organizations, activities, etc.
- Contact about upcoming events and important information through SchoolStatus by phone, text, or email.
- Eschool grade viewer for guardians and students to monitor student grades and attendance. Guardians & students can get login information from their student's STAR teacher.
- Feedback available through district family surveys completed at least once per year.
- Interpreter available as needed to interpret for Hispanic, Laotian, and French speaking guardians. This includes Open House, Family-Teacher Conferences, and daytime appointments as needed.
- Communications will be published in appropriate languages to meet the needs of our community.
- STAR Advisors (Students, Teachers, and Relationships—Teacher Advisory Group) are available for guardians to contact as needed. Every student at BTMS will be assigned a STAR group to meet with throughout the years they are at BTMS.
- Email or contact teachers by phone. The BTMS Student Handbook also outlines procedures for families to resolve concerns, encouraging caregivers to start by contacting the student's teacher.

**BTMS Website:** <http://www.vbsd.us/schools/butterfield-trail-middle-school>

**Facebook:** Butterfield Trail MS

**Instagram:** butterfield.pointers

**Twitter:** @ButterfieldTMS

For more information about family engagement opportunities, please contact BreAnne Rogers, BTMS Family Engagement Facilitator, at 479-474-6838 or by email at [breanne.rogers@vbsd.us](mailto:breanne.rogers@vbsd.us)

<b>Family Engagement Activities</b>	
Schedule Pickup	August 15, 2022
Open House/Orientation	August 15, 2022
Book Fairs	October 10-210, 2022 & March 10-17, 2023
Family-Teacher Conferences	October 18 & 20, 2022 & March 14 & 16, 2023
Red Ribbon Week	October 24-28, 2022
1 <sup>st</sup> Semester Parent Engagement Committee Meetings	September 27, 2022 & November 15, 2022
5 <sup>th</sup> Grade Student Visits	May 2023
2 <sup>nd</sup> Semester Parent Engagement Committee Meetings	February 21, 2023 & April 18, 2023
ACT Aspire State Assessment	April 2023
Teacher Appreciation Week	May 1-5, 2023
PTA Meetings	3 <sup>rd</sup> Tuesday of Each Month
STAR Groups	Meet Every Wednesday

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