



Alcorn Middle School Parent Involvement Policy 2020-2021



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At Alcorn Middle School, a Title I school, it is very important to us that parents and community members are involved. We believe that active parental and community involvement is essential to our students' academic success.

1. This policy is developed with parents and is made available to all parents for comments, on its contents, at parent meetings and school events. Parents are encouraged to submit input in writing by mail or placing their suggestion/comment in the Parent Suggestion Box in the Main Office or online. The parent policy is reviewed and updated annually by a team comprised of parents, community members and school staff.
2. Within the first 45 days of the school year, a meeting is held by the school administration to inform parents of the parental requirements under Title I Section 1118. Parents are encouraged to participate and stay informed of their rights.
3. Meetings for parents will be held virtually in the morning and evening hours to accommodate parents' work schedules. Scheduled meetings include: School Improvement Council (SIC-PAC) Meetings, and Curriculum Night
4. The school will provide virtual parent workshops that assist parents with working with their children at home. Title I funds are used to provide parent workshop materials, refreshments, facilitators, and other necessary expenses to increase parental involvement.
5. Parents have an opportunity to be involved in the planning, reviewing, and improvement of the school's Title I program by participating in all school related programs and/or providing their input electronically or in writing.
6. A copy of the school-wide plan is available in the school's main office and school's website to all stake holders.

7. At the present time, Alcorn is not in school improvement status.
8. Parents receive timely notices about parental involvement opportunities through several mediums:
 - School newsletters, e-mail and the School Messenger system
 - The school website (<https://www.richlandone.org/Domain/8>)
 - School Improvement Council Meetings and school marquee
 - Social Media sites (Twitter, Facebook, Instagram)
9. The school provides parents of participating children with a description and explanation of the curriculum utilized at the school, the forms of academic assessments used to measure student progress and the proficiency levels students are expected to meet. Parents will be informed of the following:
 - What Title I provides for the school
 - Various other federal and state programs that assist in raising the achievement level of all the students (i.e. IDEA, Title V, Act 135, EAA) and the resources available to the parents and their children due to the additional federal and state funds.
 - Additional programs that help raise the achievement level of the students most academically in need.

The following academic assessments are used to determine academic growth and proficiency levels.

- District Benchmarks, Star Reading and Math Assessment, SC PASS, SC READY

10. Communication with parents is provided in a parent-friendly language.