#### PARENT NOTIFICATIONS

As required by Every Student Succeeds Act, the following information is to be shared annually with parents. The distribution of this document shall serve as a formal notification to parents regarding the following issues:

#### **Right to Request Information**

Each parent of a student in a Title I school has the right to request information about the professional qualifications of the student's teacher(s) and any teacher assistants who serve the student. This information will be provided by the administrative office at the child's school upon request. This notice will also be provided by the school to all parents.

#### **Parent Notification Regarding Non-Highly Qualified Teachers**

Every Student Succeeds Act (federal education law) requires the district to notify the parent when a teacher, who is not highly qualified, teaches your child for four consecutive weeks. If this occurs, your child's school will send home a letter giving you information regarding your child's teacher.

#### Florida Department of Education Family & Community Outreach

The mission of the Bureau of Family and Community Outreach is to empower families and communities with resources and information needed to promote a high quality education for their children. The Bureau reaches out to serve Florida's diverse families and communities in a number of ways, including the Just for Parents online community. We encourage you to participate in our online community and hope you will share this resource with your family and friends.

http://www.fldoe.org/family/









**Everglades Elementary School** 









2017-2018

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Parent & Family Engagement Plan Summary

#### **Family Engagement Mission Statement**

"Everglades Elementary School believes that all children have the ability to cultivate their legacy through the collaborative efforts of the faculty, staff, parents, community, and students. Through reading, math, and science activities we will instill and nurture an appreciation and respect for lifelong learning including college and career readiness."

For your convenience, the Parent & Family Engagement Plan is available in its entirety at the front office and on our website at:

http://evergladeselementaryschool.sites.thedigitalbell.com/

# **Everglades Elementary Parent & Family Engagement Plan**

In an effort to increase the academic achievement of students, all schools in the District that receive Title I, Part A funding must, involve parents and family members in jointly developing the district plan under section 1112 and developing support and improvement plans under section 1111(d). This plan outlines the steps that the school will take to involve parents in a meaningful way in the education of their child(ren). The plan outlines the various components of Family Engagement, including: (1) how the school will coordinate with other federal programs, (2) the various family engagement meetings it will hold, (3) how it will build the capacity for strong family engagement, and (4) how it will communicate with parents.

#### **Involving Parents**

The SAC, PTO, and Family Engagement Committee will be responsible for planning, review and improvement of the Title 1 program. SAC faculty members will be elected by their peers. The principal choose one grade representative to serve on the Family Engagement Committee. An open invitation will be sent out to parents encouraging participation. All parents and teachers will be invited to join PTO. Parents will receive Skylert phone calls, newsletter, and Facebook invitations for all activities, meetings, and activities. All communication will be sent in dual languages to increase parent participation. Translation services will be provided at all SAC, PTO, and Parent Engagement meetings. The parents' input will be documented in the minutes for each meeting.

#### **Parent Meetings**

Everglades Elementary will make every attempt to have meetings and activities at flexible times during the evening as well as make an attempt to have some activities during the day. We will attempt to have child care at meetings when appropriate and we will have a Spanish translator at every meeting or event.

#### **Supporting Partnerships**

Everglades Elementary School will build the capacity for strong family engagement by implementing the APTT program. This program and other programs are designed to support children's academic goals by linking home and school learning.

#### **Other Activities**

Everglades Elementary will provide a parent resource library, where parents will be able to select materials. We will provide a computer in the front office so that parents are able to connect to Skyward. We will also have an open computer lab time for parents to have access to current education websites, Skyward, i-Ready, THINKCENTRAL, and/or Reflex Math.

# **Professional Development for School Staff**

The school will provide the following training in the area of Family Engagement to its staff:

 Family Engagement Professional Development will be conducted through Professional Learning Communities and APTT Teams throughout the school year.



### **Communication**

Everglades Elementary School will use the following to communicate with parents on a regular basis: weekly/monthly classroom newsletters, a monthly school wide newsletter, a monthly calendar of events, student agendas, the marquees, "Edu-link", Okeechobee News, "invitations" to specific events. All communication will be sent home in the student's home language. The committee will meet quarterly and will include parents; in addition our PTO will meet and will review the Parent & Family Engagement Plan as it stands at that time and discuss any up-coming events that parents need to be aware of. After each event the parents will be asked to fill out a survey and the committee will take into consideration the comments on the survey.

# Full Participation in all School Activities

Everglades Elementary will send home a monthly calendar to remind parents of activities and to give them ideas on how to help their students at home. Everglades will keep their website current with upcoming events. We will send reminders to parents of upcoming events, and keep the school's marquee current. All communication will be sent in the student's home language.

# Fall Family Engagement Events

Annual Title I Review Meeting

October 10, 2017

# **APTT Dates**

| September | 6  | Kindergarten          |
|-----------|----|-----------------------|
|           | 19 | 1 <sup>st</sup> Grade |
|           | 20 | 2 <sup>nd</sup> Grade |
|           | 27 | 3 <sup>rd</sup> Grade |
| October   | 6  | 4 <sup>th</sup> Grade |
|           | 13 | 5 <sup>th</sup> Grade |