

2018-19 Tilghman Elementary School Title I Parent and Family Engagement Plan

Tilghman Elementary School defines parent involvement as the participation of the parent in regular, two-way and meaningful communication involving student academic achievement and other school activities. TES recognizes that a child's education is a responsibility shared by the school, family and community for the duration of the child's participation in school. To accomplish Talbot County Public Schools' mission that each child will *Learn, Grow and Succeed*, the community, families, children and school must work together for success.

Collaborating with Community:

Identifying and integrating resources and services from the community to strengthen school programs, family practices and student learning and development.

1. Continue to engage community volunteers in school activities
2. Encourage participation in the Tilghman Area Youth Association (TAYA) program, informing Title I parents of enrollment and scholarship information
3. Inform parents about ongoing services onsite at TES, including computers for parent use via newsletter, website and other means (ongoing)
4. Collaborate with the CarePacks program to provide assistance with weekend nutrition

Parenting:

Helping all families establish home environments to support children as students.

1. Continue to use Tiger Tickets character incentives
2. Encourage reading at home with Book It reading incentives program (monthly)
3. Send home Parent Institute newsletters monthly with parenting tips and suggestions to improve children's behavior and academic performance
4. Provide parents with information about community resources as needed

Decision-Making:

Including parents in school decisions, developing parent leaders and representatives.

1. All Title I parents are invited to annual Title I Conference Day (November 8, 2018), parent input is sought on the Parent Compact, the Parent and Family Engagement Policy, and in developing the Parent and Family Engagement Plan. Comments can be submitted to Joyce Crow at jcrow@talbotschools.org
2. Title I parents are encouraged to provide input on the expense of Title I Parent Involvement funds at Title I Conference Day on 11/8/18 and in comment sheet sent home with Title I families.
3. All Title I parents are invited to attend and participate in SIT meetings
4. TES will conduct an annual survey of Title I families to provide input on suggestions for family events and workshops.

5. Title I families are encouraged to participate in the TES PTO throughout the school year.
6. Title I families are invited to provide feedback on the TCPS District Level Family Engagement Plan at Title I Conference Day on 11/8/18

Communication:

Designing effective forms of school-to-home and home-to-school communications about school programs and children's progress

1. Principal mails out Title I notification letters to every parent that has a child identified for Title I services
2. Principal follows up with a phone call or e-mail to determine if parents have any questions or concerns
3. All Title I parents are invited on conference day to meet with Title I staff and receive an orientation to the Title I program and its services (11/8/18)
4. For parents who were unable to attend conference day, school staff followed up with an open invitation to come in and meet Title I staff
5. TES newsletter provides ongoing updates about school programming and events (monthly)
6. Title I information is made available on the TES website
7. Title I staff will use e-mail as an additional means of communicating with parents about student progress

Learning at Home

Provide information and ideas to families about how to help students at home with homework and other curriculum-related activities

1. Providing Parent Institute newsletters to parents monthly
2. All Title I families receive a Leveled Book List of titles available at the Talbot County Free Library
3. Upon request, parents can receive Home-School packets of materials for parents to use with their children at home
4. Educational materials and tips for working with children at home will be available on the school website, and e-mailed to Title I parents quarterly

Volunteering

Recruiting and organizing parent help and support

1. All Title 1 parents are invited and encouraged to assist in their child's classroom and at school events
2. Volunteer opportunities will be communicated via newsletter and website

Dear Title I Families,

At Tilghman Elementary School, we are very excited to continue receiving Title I funds and services this year. We are confident that these services will greatly enhance our students' success throughout their academic career.

One key component of Title I Federal Guidelines is ongoing input from parents. Attached you will find our Parent and Family Engagement Plan and Home/School Compact, developed with input from parents. Please let us know if you have additional ideas you would like to include.

We greatly appreciate the support you provide at home and at school. You are the most important members of your child's team!

Sincerely,

Tilghman ES Title I Team
Joyce Crow, Principal
Cindy Bieber, Math Specialist

PLEASE DETACH AND RETURN THIS PAGE TO YOUR CHILD'S TEACHER BY November 30, 2018.

_____ I have reviewed the TES Title I Parent Involvement Plan and Compact. At this time, I have no further additions or changes.

___ I am aware of the availability of funds for Parent Involvement activities and have the following suggestions for their use:

_____ I have reviewed the TES Title I Parent Involvement Plan and Compact. I would like for Ms. Moody (Title I Family Liaison) or Mrs. Crow to contact me regarding some additions or changes I would like to suggest.

Parent name: _____

Student name: _____

Phone: _____

E-mail: _____