



Parent Involvement at Newby Memorial Elementary School



2018-2019

This policy and Newby Memorial Elementary School intends to follow the parental policy guidelines outlined in the Every Student Succeeds Act of 2015. This policy and school-parent compact will be given to each family at the beginning of the school year. The policy and compact will also be posted on the school website.

Newby will support parents by following the guidelines below:

1. Each fall semester Newby will host a daytime and evening TITLE 1 Parent Meeting. Parents will learn about their TITLE 1 rights and school requirements. This Parent Involvement Policy and the School Parent Compact are presented. Parents will learn how TITLE 1 funding is used at Newby. The materials and resources available through Newby's Parent Resource Center will be discussed and displayed. Parents receive information about the assessments, the Indiana College and Career Readiness Standards (K-6). This information is available at family programs throughout the school year. If the schoolwide program plan under Section 1114 (b)(2) is not satisfactory to the parents of participating children, submit any parent comments on the plan when the school makes the plan available to the LEA.
2. Newby's Parent Teacher Organization serves as a conduit for parent involvement activity and programs. A PTO meeting is scheduled early second semester, so that parents may review and update the Parent Involvement Policy and the School-Parent Compact. Our School Improvement Plan is presented to parents at a PTO meeting each year. We encourage parent comments and suggestions about the plan, other family programming. The School Improvement Plan input is sent to district administration, before submission to the State of Indiana. Parents also have opportunities, when appropriate, to help make decisions relating to the education of their child.
3. Keeping all Newby families informed is important. Information about student learning and upcoming programs is translated into the family's first language whenever possible. Notification of upcoming programs can be found on your Newby website, classroom newsletters and Newby News (sent home the first Friday of every month).
4. There are two family learning programs each year. During the first semester we will have a Family Literacy Night and second semester a Family Math Night. Newby staff will share with parents how they can support their child's learning at home.
5. Newby uses multiple ways to keep parents informed of their child's academic progress and learning. Report cards are sent home every nine weeks. Parent Teacher Conferences are held each fall semester. At the conference parents and teachers discuss student progress and learning needs. Parents learn about the proficiency levels their child is expected to reach, how the teacher will support the child's learning and how parents can help at home. Parents may also request to meet with the teacher to discuss their child's progress at any time during the school year.
6. Newby Memorial Elementary staff and administration will diligently work with the local Head Start, Young Pioneers, and pre-schools to ensure a smooth transition to Kindergarten.
7. Ongoing professional development will take place during staff meeting on best practices for parental involvement and the best ways to build relationships with parents.
8. Other reasonable support for parental involvement activities as parents may request.