

FOUKE ELEMENTART FAMILY ENGAGEMENT PLAN

VISION—*Fouke Elementary School will engage all students in learning and equip them for college and career readiness in order to demonstrate integrity and pursue healthy lifestyles.*

MISSION—*Inspire all students to have a passion for learning.*

Parental Involvement Plan Committee 2018-19

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Fouke Elementary School recognizes that a child's education is a responsibility shared by the school and family during the entire time the child spends in school. To support the goal of the schools to educate all students effectively, the schools and parents must work as knowledgeable partners. Parents are an integral component of a school's ability to provide for the educational success of their children. The school endeavors to meet the diverse cultural and language needs of parents and children. Fouke Elementary School acknowledges that engaging parents is essential to improve student achievement and that schools should foster and support active parental involvement.

In response to this commitment to active parental involvement and in compliance with the legal requirements of Act 603 of 2003 and the Every Student Succeeds Act (2015), Fouke Elementary School establishes the following parental involvement plan.

The Fouke Elementary School Parent Involvement Plan, established in collaboration with parents, includes programs and practices that enhance parental involvement and reflects the specific needs of students and their families

To encourage communication with parents, Fouke Elementary School schedules two parent/teacher conferences per year. These conferences are scheduled second nine weeks (October) and third nine weeks (February) grading periods during the school year.

To promote and support responsible parenting, Fouke Elementary School will purchase books, magazines, and other informative materials regarding responsible parenting through the school library. These materials will be advertised and parents will have an opportunity to borrow the materials for review.

To welcome parents to Fouke Elementary School, there is no policy or procedure that would discourage a parent from visiting the school, specifically including:

1. Policies requiring parents to pick-up their child outside the school building each day.
2. Policies prohibiting the parents from visiting a child's classroom during school events.

Fouke Elementary School will publish volunteer information through a yearly newsletter, listing the interests and availability of volunteers for school staff members' use. The newsletter will help match school needs with volunteer interests. To develop the volunteer newsletter, the school will:

1. Survey parents regarding their interests, so volunteer work will be meaningful.
2. Determine how frequently a volunteer would like to participate, including just one time a year.
3. Share this information with our Parent Teacher Organization.

As part of the Fouke Elementary School Parent Involvement Plan, statements will be printed attesting to the school district's commitment to parental involvement and distribute the statements

to parents of students.

To encourage parents to participate as full partners in the decisions that affect their child and family, Fouke Elementary School will frequently publish the school's process for resolving parental concerns, including how to define the problem, whom to approach first, and how to develop solutions.

Fouke Elementary School recognizes that community resources strengthen school programs, family practices, and student learning. To take advantage of community resources, Fouke Elementary has created a Community Advisory Board that meets regularly to create goals for how the school and community can work together to build an alliance, and support the vision, mission and core beliefs of our school.

Fouke Elementary School will support the development, implementation, and regular evaluation of the program to involve parents in the decisions and practices of the school district, using to the degree possible, the following components:

1. The principal of each school in the district will designate one certified staff member that is willing to serve as a parent coordinator to organize meaningful training for staff and parents promoting and encouraging a welcoming atmosphere to parental involvement in the school. The parent facilitator will also undertake efforts to ensure that parental participation is recognized as an asset to the school.

2. The certified staff serving as a parental coordinator will receive supplement pay for the assigned duties as required by law.

Staff development opportunities will meet the requirements adopted by the State Board of Education's Standards of Accreditation of Arkansas Public Schools. The professional development will be designed to enhance understanding of effective parental involvement strategies.

It is the goal of Fouke Elementary School to assure an ongoing partnership between families, communities, and school. We believe such a partnership is fundamental to the academic and social success of students. From this partnership a support will evolve that will have a positive effect on student achievement and will produce a sense of cooperative responsibility in ensuring excellence in the educational process. In accordance to the District plan, Fouke Elementary School has developed the following list of activities in which parents and/or volunteers can be involved in the educational process of our students.

Academic Award Assembly for grades 1st-5th

BINGO Volunteer Card

Conferences Calendars (Yearly with main events, holiday, etc..)

Classroom Volunteers

Closing the Achievement Gap Committee Contacting parents of students needing tutoring

Doughnuts for Dads

Egg Drop activity

E-Z school pay

Facebook Elementary page

Fire Safety Demonstration with Fouke Fire Department

Field Trips

Food Drive

Grandparents Luncheon

Holiday & Special Occasion Parties

Home Visits

Interactive Notebooks

Kindergarten Promotion Ceremony

Lunch with your Child

Muffins for Moms

News Releases (newspaper, radio, TV)

Nurses--Hearing-Vision-Mass Body Index-Scoliosis Screenings

Parent/Community Night

Parent/Teacher Conferences

Preschool Graduation

Progress Reports

Parent Teacher Organization

Quiz Bowl

Referrals to Parent Involvement Coordinator

Remind App

Spelling Bee

Substitute Teachers

Watch D.O.G.S. for Dads

Web Page—<http://foukepanthers.org>