



Houston Independent School District  
**S.P. Waltrip High School**

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**Campus Parent Involvement Policy**  
**2020-2021**

Waltrip High School empowers students to graduate as 21st Century Learners. We promote an environment that is safe, creative, and focused on college and career readiness. Our comprehensive system of support ensures that academic achievement is attained on both state and national standards.

**A. POLICY INVOLVEMENT**

1. Waltrip High School will hold an annual meeting to which all parents of participating students shall be invited and encouraged to attend. Various topics will be discussed including:
  - i. Purpose of Title I
  - ii. Qualifications for Title I Status
  - iii. Uses of Title I Funding

This meeting will be held by September 30, 2019: In addition, the principal gives parent an update on school test data, yearly progress status, and a review of the school's improvement plan.

2. Waltrip High School will offer several meetings, such as meeting in the morning or evening, and may provide transportation, child care, or home visits, as such services relate to parental involvement.
  - i. Parents are invited to participate in a variety of meetings and activities over the course of the year, including but not limited to Ram Rally, Open House, Coffee with the Principal and College Awareness Night. Our Student Affairs department also offers various Parent University Classes and Parent Fairs throughout the school year. Information for such activities will be posted on the school website and is also available on flyers posted in the main office. We welcome Parent-Teacher Conferences and visits to the school.

3. Waltrip High School will involve parents in an organized, ongoing, and timely way, in the planning, review, and improvement of programs under this part, including the planning, review and improvement of the school

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parental involvement policy. The involvement of parents must include an adequate representation of parents and participating children. We encourage parents to be a part of our PTA (Parent-Teacher Association) and SDMC(Shared Decision Making Committee) to examine and discuss our School Improvement Plan and Parent Involvement Policy. Information regarding those groups can be found on our school website and any questions can be answered by school staff.

4. Waltrip High School will provide parents of participating children timely information about programs. We will also provide parents with a description and explanation of the curriculum in use at the school, the forms of academic assessment used to measure student progress, and the proficiency levels student are expected to meet. If requested by parent, opportunities for regular meetings to formulate suggestions and to participate, as appropriate, in decisions relating to the educations of their children, and respond to such suggestions as soon as possible. Waltrip High School is a data-driven campus that utilizes information shown to improve our academic strategies. At any point, the parents of participating students can gain access to their student's progress.
5. If the school wide program plan is not satisfactory to the parent of participating children, the school will submit parents' comments on the plan to the External Funding Titles I and II Department and revise the plan as advised by the HISD Title I, Part A Parental Involvement Program Administrator and other district designees as advised.

**B. SHARED RESPONSIBILITIES FOR HIGH STUDENT ACADEMIC ACHIEVEMENT**

As a component of the school level parental involvement policy, each school served under this part shall jointly develop with parents for all children served under this part a school-parent compact that outlines how parents, the entire school staff, and students will share the responsibility for improved student academic achievement and the means by which the school and parent will build and develop a partnership to help children

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achieve the State's high standards. The education of a student is not only the responsibility of the teacher, but also the parent and the child. For this reason, a Parent-Teacher-Student Compact has been developed. It is an agreement between all involved parties to ensure the success of the student.

#### C. BUILDING CAPACITY FOR INVOLVEMENT

To ensure effective involvement of parents and to support a partnership among the school, parents, and the community to improve student academic achievement, the campus will build the schools' and parents' capacity for strong parental involvement by implementing the **required policy activities**:

##### Waltrip High School shall:

1. Provide assistance to the parents of the children served by the school in understanding such topics as the state's academic achievement standards, state and local academic assessments, the requirements of this part, and how to monitor a child's progress and work with educators to improve the achievement of their children.
2. Provide materials and training to help parents work with their children, such as literacy training and using technology to foster parental involvement.
3. Educate teachers, student service personnel, principals, and other staff, with the assistance of parents, in the value and utility of contributions of parents, and in how to reach out to, communicate with, and work with parents as equal partners, implement and coordinate parent programs, and build ties between parents and the school.
4. To the extent feasible and appropriate, coordinate and integrate parental involvement programs and activities with other programs.

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5. Ensure that information related school and parent programs, meetings, and other activities is sent to the parents of participation children in a format and, to the extent practicable, in a language the parents can understand. We offer notifications via voice calls, Text messaging thru Remind and electronically via our website. These notifications are sent home as efficiently as we can, in both English and Spanish.
  
6. Provide reasonable support for parental involvement activities, such as parent resource centers that encourage and support parents to be involved. Various Parent Fairs and Parent University sessions are available throughout the year. The Student Affairs Office includes counselors and social workers that provide services geared towards both parents and students. This year a new Parent Engagement Representative is available on campus fulltime to be the liaison between parents and school and to provide assistance for VIPS (Volunteers in Public Schools) and other programs for parents.
  
7. To ensure effective involvement of parents and to support a partnership among the school, parents, and the community to improve student academic achievement, the campus will build the schools' and parents' capacity for strong parental involvement by implementing the **optional policy activities Waltrip High School May:**
  - a) Involve parents in the development of training for teachers.
  - b) Provide necessary literacy training from funds received under this part if the school district has exhausted all other reasonable available sources of funding for such training.
  - c) Pay reasonable and necessary expenses associated with local parental involvement activities, including transportation and child care costs, to enable parents to participate in school related meeting and training sessions.
  - d) Train parents to enhance the involvement of other parents.
  - e) Arrange school meetings at a variety of times.

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- f) Adopt and implement model approaches to improving parental involvement.
- g) Develop appropriate roles for community-based organizations and businesses in parental involvement activities.

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