**GENERAL EXPECTATIONS**

**Moreno Elementary School** agrees to implement the following statutory requirements:

* + Moreno Elementary School will jointly develop with parents and distribute to parents of participating children, a Campus Parent and Family Engagement Policy that the school and parents of participating children agree on.
  + Moreno Elementary School will notify parents about the Campus Parent and Family Engagement Policy in an understandable and uniform format and, to the extent practicable, will distribute this policy to parents in a language the parents can understand.
  + Moreno Elementary School will make the Campus Parent and Family Engagement Policy available to the local community.
  + Moreno Elementary School will periodically update the Campus Parent and Family Engagement Policy to meet the changing needs of parents and the students. Moreno will use the findings from the annual evaluation done by the parents to design strategies for more effective parental involvement.
  + Moreno Elementary School will adopt the school-parent compact as a component of its Campus Parent and Family Engagement Policy.
  + Moreno Elementary School agrees to be governed by the following statutory definition of parental involvement, and will carry out programs, activities and procedures in accordance with this definition:

*Parental involvement means the participation of parents in regular, two-way, and meaningful communication involving student academic learning and other school activities, including ensuring—*

*(A) parents play an integral role in assisting their child’s learning;*

*(B) parents are encouraged to be actively involved in their child’s education at school;*

*(C) that parents are full partners in their child’s education and are included, as appropriate, in decision-making and on advisory committees to assist in the education of their child;*

1. *the carrying out of other activities, such as those described in section 1118 of the No Child Left Behind Act of 2001****.***

Moreno Elementary School will implement required Campus Parent and Family Engagement Policy components as follows:

1. Moreno Elementary School will take the following actions to involve parents in the joint development and joint agreement of its Campus Parent and Family Engagement Policy and its school wide plan, if applicable, in an organized, ongoing, and timely way under section 1118(b) of the No Child Left Behind Act of 2001:

*Gather and disseminate to parents for review the following materials: District wide Parental Involvement Policy, the Campus Parent and Family Engagement Policy, the school-parent compact, and Parent Notices. These materials will be disseminated to parents at regular Title I parent meetings, SDMC meetings, and parent/teacher conferences. Written and oral input from parents will be solicited through Title I parent meetings, PAC meetings, parent/teacher conferences, school newsletters, school web site, and other regular written communications with parents. Information will also be posted on the school’s marquee. All information will be provided in English and Spanish.*

2. Moreno Elementary School will take the following actions to distribute to parents of participating children and the local community the Campus Parent and Family Engagement Policy:

* + *The Campus Parent and Family Engagement Policy will be distributed to parents at Title I parent meetings.*
  + *The policy will be posted on the school web site.*
* *Parents of new participating students will receive the policy upon registration.*

3. Moreno Elementary School will periodically update its Parental Involvement Policy to meet the changing needs of parents and the school through:

* + - *monthly PAC meetings*
    - *General School meetings*

4. Moreno Elementary School will convene an annual meeting to inform parents of the following:

* *Moreno Elementary School participates in Title I,*
  + *The requirements of Title I*
  + *Of their rights to be involved*
  + *Meetings will be held at various and convenient times to encourage parents to attend. Parents will be notified about meetings through school memos, newsletters, the web page, the marquee and the automated phone system. A sign in sheet and meeting minutes will be available.*

5. Moreno Elementary School will hold a flexible number of meetings at varying times, and may provide child care, and/or home visits, paid for with Title I funding as long as these services relate to parental involvement:

*To encourage parents to attend these meetings, the school will offer training to parents to improve student success and achievement. In situations that prevent parents from coming to the school for meetings, school personnel may make home visits or arrange to meet the parents at a mutually convenient time off campus.*

Moreno Elementary School will provide parents of participating children 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 students are expected to meet through:

* *the annual Title I parent meeting*
* *regular parent/teacher conferences*
* *Title I meetings and Family Nights throughout the year*

1. If requested by parents, Moreno Elementary School will provide parents of participating children opportunities for regular meetings to formulate suggestions and to participate, as appropriate, in decisions relating to the education of their children, and respond to any such suggestions as soon as practicably possible:

* *through prearranged meetings with the Title I Coordinator*
* *through meetings with the student’s teacher which may include the Title I coordinator*

**RESPONSIBILITIES FOR HIGH STUDENT ACADEMIC ACHIEVEMENT**

1. Moreno Elementary School will build the schools and parents capacity for strong parental involvement in order to ensure effective involvement of parents and to support a partnership between the school, parents, and the community to improve student academic achievement through the following activities described below:

* *parent training*
* *Family Nights*
* *Parental access to the Teacher/Parent Resource library and other resources such as web sites, parent organizations, etc. The computer lab in the blue pod will be available to parents and their student upon request. A staff member of Moreno will be available in the lab to assist the parents and students.*
* *Parent Partnership & HIPPY*

2. The school will incorporate the school-parent compact as a component of its Campus Parent and Family Engagement Policy:

* *The school-parent compact will be a part of the Campus Parent and Family Engagement Policy on the school’s web page.*
* *During regular parent/teacher/student conferences, the teacher will address the school-parent compact.*
* *As needed, the school-parent compact will be included in school newsletters along with the Campus Parent and Family Engagement Policy.*

3. The school will, with the assistance of the district, provide assistance to parents of children served by the school in understanding topics such as the following:

* *the State’s academic content standards,*
* *the State’s student academic achievement standards,*
* *the State and local academic assessments including alternate assessments,*
* *the requirements of Title I,*
* *how to monitor their child’s progress, and*
* *how to work with educators:*

Parents will receive training and necessary information on the topics above through:

*PAC workshops, STAAR parent trainings in collaboration with the F.A.C.E. of HISD and school sponsored trainings*

4. As appropriate, the school will, with the assistance of the district, provide materials and training (including transportation) such as literacy training and using technology to help parents work with their children to improve their children’s academic achievement and to foster parental involvement.

In situations in which students must learn virtually, the school will provide parents and students with the tools and trainings needed to learn the new applications and virtual platforms. This will be accomplished through:

*holding regular Title I meetings, Family Nights, and encouraging parental participation in a variety of parent workshops*

5. The school will, with the assistance of the district and parents, educate its teachers, instructional assistants, principals and other staff, in how to reach out to, communicate with, and work with parents as equal partners. The school will implement and coordinate parent programs and build ties between parents and schools, by:

*encouraging staff to attend parental involvement workshops and conferences, web-based learning, and site staff development*

6. The school will, to the extent feasible and appropriate, take the following actions to ensure that information related to the school and parent- programs, meetings, and other activities, is sent to the parents of participating children in an understandable and uniform format. The information will be delivered in a language the parents can understand:

*Upon identification of parental need for information in another language or in another format, the school will take steps to ensure that the parent request is fulfilled*

*7. The school will organize and provide events from community based*

*organizations to enhance student academic achievement.*

*Read Men Read, Houston Science and Health Museum, Mi Tienda, CafeCollege,*

*Local Community Businesses*

*8.* Coordinate and integrate parental involvement programs with other

programs, such as –

*Brighter Bites, Houston Ballet, Backpack Buddies, Young Audiences of Houston (Arts*

*Initiative)*

Conclusion

Moreno Elementary strongly believes that collaboration between parents and the school is crucial in order to achieve the goals of the campus. Moreno Elementary is committed to continue to partner with parents in an effort to provide for every child the best education available to them.