



Shadowbriar Elementary: Parent Involvement Policy 2021-2022

Shadowbriar Elementary School believes “Collaboration is Key.” We also believe that parental involvement and cooperation are very important in our reaching the educational objectives of our students.

Shadowbriar Elementary School has established the following to encourage strong parental involvement at the school-wide level:

- **Title I School/Parent/Student Compact**
- **Parent/Teacher Organization (PTO)**
- **Parent Advisory Council (PAC)**
- **Shared Decision-Making Committee (SDMC)**
- **Title One Annual School Meeting**
- **Teacher and Parent Meetings**
- **Grade-Level Parent Outreach Meetings**
- **Leader In Me Leadership Days (Virtual)**
- **STEAM Expo Leadership Day (Virtual)**

Shadowbriar Elementary School will implement these and other activities that will encourage parental involvement through the Title I program. All activities will be in compliance with Houston Independent School District Parental Involvement policies and guidelines and the Texas Education Agency guidelines. All parents will have an equal and adequate opportunity to participate in all segments of parental involvement activities.

Parent involvement is also addressed by providing parents with timely information about both our academic and social programs in our school newsletter, which is distributed monthly and posted on our website, <http://schools.houstonisd.org/shadowbriares>. We also post upcoming events on our school marquee and use HISD’s callout system to ensure that parents are reminded of important upcoming events.

Parents are invited to participate in scheduled parent-teacher conferences to discuss their own child’s progress. Telephone conferences and e-mail conversations are also available if a face-to-face conference is impossible.

The school is responsible for providing high quality curriculum and instruction to all students. It also is committed to maintaining open communication with parents and offering parents four opportunities to meet through the year. Parents are responsible for supporting their child’s learning by sending him/her to school ready to learn, attending conferences, and maintaining communication with the school. Students are expected to come to school every day prepared to



learn and to follow all school rules as outlined in the HISD Code of Conduct and the Shadowbriar Student Handbook so that all Shadowbriar students can learn.

Consistent communication to parents can include comments on conduct and/or graded schoolwork and feedback and discussion about student academic progress aligned to individual learning goals. Formal progress reports are sent home mid-way during each six-week grading period.

Shadowbriar invites all parents to collaborate with teachers, staff, and school partners to support student achievement and social emotional development. Shadowbriar also works in cooperation with the non-profit organization, “Champions”, to offer before-school and after-school care and enrichment.

Shadowbriar Elementary is committed to carrying out the requirements of the Title I program and the Houston Independent School District Parent Involvement Program. We offer full opportunities for the participation of all parents, including parents of limited English proficiency, parents with disabilities and parents of migratory children. All parent information will be in a format and language that parents can understand. This includes, but is not limited to, this policy, the School/Parent/Student Compact, the Code of Student Conduct, announcements, report cards, progress reports, student test results and teacher/parent communications. We ensure the ability of parents and children with disabilities to participate by providing handicapped access to areas where meetings and activities are held. Interpreters for the hearing and sight impaired are called upon as needed. Shadowbriar will communicate parent concerns regarding this program to the Department of External Funding and revise the plan if necessary.