

Title 1 Parent Involvement Policy K-5
Milford School
2020-2021

Information regarding the Parent Involvement Policy and the Home School Compact will be available through online registration, our school website and at all events that involve parents.

Milford School will host an annual “Back To School Night” and our “Annual Title One Parent Night” on August 12, 2020 from 4:30-6:00 p.m. (time subject to change). We will have a second Annual Title One Parent Meeting during our first scheduled Parent Advisory Committee Meeting. A panel of staff will explain the Title 1 services and programs available to families. Throughout the year the Milford School administration and certified staff will:

- Respond to any parent suggestions as soon as possible.
- Provide support for parental involvement at the parent’s request.
- Consider areas of the program where parents may disagree.

Milford School will offer a variety of parent/family activities throughout the year such as:

- Back to School Night (the afternoon/evening before school starts)
- Family Outreach Nights (Fall/Winter/Spring)
- Donuts with Dudes and Moments With Moms (before school activity)
- American Education Week activities (school day & lunch invite)
- PTO meetings and planned activities (school day & evening)
- Classroom sponsored activities such as; Poetry Afternoon, Wax Museum, How to Presentations, iPad Parent Night, candy gingerbread house making (school day)
- Study/Field Trips (school day)
- Music Programs (school day & evening)
- Awards Programs (school day)
- Grandparents Week – Art Show Case – PTO Book Fair

Parents will be notified of each Title 1 event and any parent events by mass email, monthly school-wide newsletters, reminder mass phone calls, local media (Mail Journal), social media (Facebook) and/or weekly classroom newsletters. Translation will be provided as needed.

A Parent Advisory Title 1 Committee consisting of parents representing a cross section of our student population will meet three times a year to:

- Review and revise the Parent Involvement Policy and School - Parent Compact
- Plan and review programs and budget
- Review parent surveys - make recommendations
- Help educate educators on communication with parents
- Brainstorm how to involve more parents in our school/education
- Brainstorm community partnerships
- Discuss the improvement of programs

- Review the school improvement/school-wide and make suggestions to the School Improvement Committee

Milford School will provide parents information about curriculum and assessments at grade level parent/family meetings, through written communication and posted on the school's website. Within the first few weeks of school each grade level will provide a written explanation of daily curricular activities and assessments used at that grade level.

Milford School will partner with agencies and organizations such as Kosciusko Literacy Services, DEKKO, Milford Public Library, United Way of Kosciusko County, Kosciusko County Head Start, New Beginnings Preschool/Day Care and Milford United Methodist Preschool to offer support and information to families of preschool children and incoming kindergarteners. We invite both preschool classes to visit our kindergarten classes/school in spring prior to enrollment.

Milford School will provide training for staff to improve staff communication skills so they will be able to work with parents as equal partners more effectively. The Milford School Administration and parent committee will work together to design and implement the training. The trainings will be held twice by the end of the second trimester.

The Milford School Improvement Committee, consisting of staff and parents, will consider comments regarding the school improvement/school-wide plan. All comments will be documented and kept with the plan.

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