



Victory Elementary Parent & Family Engagement Policy 2020-2021

Victory Elementary dedicates itself to educating and producing lifelong learners in a safe environment. To compete in a global society, learning at VES is an ongoing process. Rigorous teaching methods, effective use of technology, and differentiated instruction throughout the curriculum allow students to experience 21st-century skill-building to become productive citizens.

Educating children requires the whole-hearted cooperation of parents, teachers, and all stakeholders to ensure student academic achievement. By working together, we can build and promote positive relationships that foster shared decision making and contribute to our students' success and well-being.

The goal of parental involvement at Victory Elementary School is to encourage parents to participate in educational planning and day to day activities to enhance and improve student performance. An invitation for family engagement is extended by the Parent and Family Engagement Liaison and school staff during Parent-Teacher Conferences, Back to School Meet and Greet Activities, Monthly Workshops, and other activities throughout the school year.

1. **Communication:** Parents and the community are kept abreast of activities via an automated phone link- School Messenger, text message, Class Dojo, flyers, progress reports, report cards, parent-teacher conferences, Coffee Break with Parents, Parent Portal, and the school website.
2. **Annual Title I Presentation:** VES held an Annual Title I Parent Meeting in October. The overview of the meeting is listed below:
 - The purpose of Title I and the role it plays within our school
 - Review the school performance on the Virginia Standards of Learning Assessments & Standards of Accreditation
 - Use of Title I Funding
 - ESSA Requirements & Parents Right to know
 - The role of the Parent & Family Engagement Liaison
 - Division Parent Advisory Committee
 - Use of the Parent Resource Center
3. **Title 1 Workshops:** Parent workshops and meetings are scheduled by Christi Riddick, Parent & Family Engagement Liaison, with funds provided by Title 1 to upgrade the school's educational program. Providing parents with information and resources help support and monitor student learning: homework strategies and technology use.
 - Weekly information on Class Dojo for parents
 - Monthly Workshops: Drive-Thru and or Zoom meetings
4. **School Workshops:** Parent workshops and meetings are scheduled by the Leadership Team to engage parents in student learning. Currently, all workshops will be virtual.
 - Reading
 - Math
 - SOL
 - Health & Fitness
5. **Volunteers and Partnerships:** VES works to build partnerships and establish relationships with stakeholders to enhance the educational process:
 - Navy School Liaison Officer
 - Portsmouth Sheriff's Department
 - Anchors for Life
 - Parent Advisory Committee
 - Portsmouth Naval Shipyard

The administration of Victory Elementary School is committed to providing quality education to all students. Parents and stakeholders are welcome to visit our school and communicate questions and concerns with school leaders to enhance school improvement efforts and student achievement.

At the end of each academic school year, the school leadership team and parents will review the School Improvement Plan, including the Parent & Family Engagement Policy. A Parent Survey is also available online to provide feedback and comments regarding school improvement and parental engagement.

This Title I Parent and Family Engagement Policy has been developed jointly and agreed upon with parents of children participating in Title I, Part A programs as evidenced by agendas from the families attending the family review training/meeting.

This policy was adopted by Victory Elementary on September 30, 2020, and will be in effect for one year. The school district will distribute this policy to all parents of participating Title I, Part A children on or before December 30, 2020.