

## RHS Parent and Family Engagement Policy

## Reidsville High School Title I Parent and Family Engagement Policy

Reidsville High School believes the education of children is a cooperative effort between parents/guardians, students, school personnel, and the community. Parents/guardians are their children's first teachers. Parent and family engagement positively impacts the effectiveness of the Title I program and contributes significantly to the academic, social, and emotional success of students.

The school staff, in compliance with federal Title I requirements and the Rockingham County Schools Title I Parent and Family Engagement Policy, will:

- 1. Provide families a copy of the Rockingham County Schools Title I Parent and Family Engagement Policy and invite them to the annual public meeting for information on Title I and its benefits to RHS. Typically, this meeting will be held in September or October in conjunction with a curriculum night.
- 2. Inform parents/guardians of their rights to know teacher and paraprofessional qualifications.
- 3. Provide opportunities for parents/guardians to participate in school activities, to volunteer in their child's classroom, and to observe classroom activities. Parents/guardians also have the opportunity to volunteer and participate in the PTO and its sponsored activities.
- 4. Offer Parent and Family Engagement activities, meetings, workshops, and parent conferences on a flexible schedule, as necessary, to promote improved student achievement. Parent/Guardian-Teacher Conferences are scheduled at the end of the first quarter in addition to other individually scheduled conferences by the teacher throughout the year.
- 5. Ensure information related to school and parent/guardian programs, meetings, and other activities is sent to parents/guardians in a language they can understand. Reidsville High School sends out weekly telephone messages and utilizes social media as well as digital apps and print to communicate regularly with families.
- 6. Involve families in an organized, ongoing, and timely way in the planning, review, and improvement of Title I programs, keeping them informed about school curriculum, assessments, and student progress. Various curriculum events are held where grade level information is disseminated.

- 7. Coordinate parent and family engagement activities with local school readiness programs.
- 8. Educate school personnel on the value of parent and family engagement and how to implement programs to increase engagement, thus building ties between the School and families.
- 9. Assist parents/guardians in understanding state academic content, students' performance standards, and both state and local assessments.
- 10. Provide opportunity for parents/guardians to assist in the review of grade level specific compacts. These are presented at the beginning of each academic year for signatures by the parent/guardian, the student, and the teacher.