Dartmouth Elementary

Parent and Family Engagement Policy 2026-2027

1. Dartmouth Elementary will take the following actions to involve parents in the joint development of its school parent and family engagement plan under section 1116 of the ESSA (Every Student Succeeds Act):
    - The Site Based Decision Making Committee (SBDM) will discuss and approve the Campus Improvement Plan
    - The Site Based Decision Making Committee (SBDM) will discuss implementation barriers and brainstorm solutions

2. Dartmouth Elementary will take the following actions to involve parents in the process of school review and improvement under section 1116 of the ESSA:
    - PTA involvement
    - Parent Volunteers
    - Site Based Decision Making Committee (SBDM)
    - Surveys

3. Dartmouth Elementary will hold an annual meeting to inform parents of the school's participation in the Title I, Part A programs. The school will convene the meeting at a time convenient for parents and will offer a flexible number of additional parent and family engagement meetings with varying topics so that as many parents as possible are able to attend. The school will invite all parents of children participating in Title I, Part A programs to this meeting, and will encourage them to attend by:
    - Electronic and paper flyers: English and available for translation
    - Information on Marquee
    - Electronic Newsletter
    - Social Media
    - School Website
    - Text Messages
    - Electronic Reminders
    - Grade-level Weekly Newsletters

4. Dartmouth Elementary will provide parents of participating children information in a timely manner about Title I, Part A programs that includes a description and explanation of the school's curriculum, the forms of academic assessment used to measure children's progress, and the proficiency levels students are expected to meet by:
    - Meet the Teacher Parent Information Night
    - Parent Teacher Conferences
    - FOCUS-internet access to student grades
    - Progress reports

5. Dartmouth Elementary will, at the request of parents, provide opportunities for regular meetings for parents to formulate suggestions and to participate, as appropriate, in decisions about the education of their children. The school will respond to any such suggestions as soon as practicably possible by:

- Phone call or email

6. Dartmouth Elementary will provide each parent an individual student report about the performance of their child on the State assessment in at least math and reading by:

- Parents will receive a letter on how to access their student's STAAR test results online.

7. Dartmouth Elementary will provide assistance to parents of children served by the school, as appropriate, in understanding topics by undertaking the actions described in this paragraph:

- the state's academic content standards
- the state's student academic achievement
- the state and local academic assessments including alternate assessments
- the requirements of Title I, Part A
- how to monitor their child's progress
- how to partner with teachers and staff members

8. Dartmouth Elementary will take the following actions to provide each parent timely notice when their child has been assigned or has been taught for four (4) or more consecutive weeks by a teacher who is not highly qualified within the meaning of the term in section 200.56 of the Title I Final Regulations (67 Fed. Reg. 71710, December 2, 2002).

- Letters from the principal will be sent home to the necessary students.

9. Dartmouth Elementary will provide materials and training to help parents work with their children to improve their children's academic achievement, such as literacy training and using technology, as appropriate, to foster parental involvement.

- Family Engagement Nights: Literacy Night, STEM Night, Multicultural Night, Growth Goal Camps

The School Parent and Family Engagement Policy has been developed jointly with, and agreed upon with, parents of children participating in Title I, Part A programs, as evidenced by the agenda and sign in sheets from the Site Based Decision Making Committee (SBDM) meetings.

This policy was adopted by Dartmouth Elementary on April 8, 2026 and will be in effect for the 2026-27 school year. The school will distribute this policy to all parents of participating Title I, Part A children on or before October 1, 2026.

Kristin Pernici
Principal