General Colin L. Powell Elementary Parental Involvement Policy

2023-2024

The vision of General Colin L. Powell Elementary is to inspire students to actively pursue excellence and learning. We want to encourage them to explore new solutions in our global society with passion and a heartfelt willingness that will impact the world for centuries.

Objective 1 Colin Powell will involve parents in the development of the school's written Parental Involvement Policy and the School-Parent Compact with an annual meeting during the spring semester in the morning and in the evening to discuss parent evaluations and input. We will accomplish this through:

- Monthly Coffee with the Principal
- Monthly Parental Engagement Meetings/Workshops
- Strong Fathers' Program
- Continuous parental feedback, written and digital

Objective 2: Colin Powell will educate teachers, administrators and other staff to communicate with parents as equal partners and build ties between parents and the school. We will accomplish this through:

- District/Campus workshops and meetings
- Professional Learning Communities
- Parent feedback surveys
- Parent Portal
- School Website
- Communication Apps (Class Dojo & Seesaw)

Objective 3: Colin Powell will support Parental Involvement activities as parents may request. We will accomplish this through:

- Parent surveys for suggested guest speakers and presentations
- Opportunities for parents to attend district Parental Involvement trainings
- Parent Classes/Workshops with flexible meeting hours.
- PBIS (Positive Behavior Interventions and Support)/SEL (Social and Emotional Learning)
- Strong Fathers Program
- Academic Nights
- Deployment Club
- Big Brothers/ Big Sisters Program
- Providing transportation, childcare and related services for meetings as guidelines and policy allows.
- Character Counts daily announcements and monthly acknowledgements.

Objective 4: Colin Powell will provide materials and training in math, reading, science, literacy and technology to provide parents information about school programs and to help parents work with their children to improve achievement in all core subjects. We will accomplish this regularly through:

- Learning Festival
- Meeting to address GT and SPED Guidelines
- Career and College Readiness
- Ft. Bliss Parent to Parent Workshops
- Math/Reading and Computer Programs (ST Math)
- Information sent home regarding Music class curriculum
- Monthly Dual Language presentations/trainings
- Workshops to help parents navigate various programs that support the student's curriculum.
- Bookfairs
- Participation in Reading Across the District/America

Objective 5: Colin Powell Elementary will provide all documents in a language parents can understand as needed. We will accomplish this through:

- Use of monthly calendars
- School Messenger
- School and Teacher websites
- Written notice
- Text to phone

Objective 6: Colin Powell will assist parents in understanding the state's curriculum, academic achievement standards, academic assessments, monitoring student's progress and work with educator and understanding the right-to-know documents regarding highly qualified teachers and paraprofessionals. We will accomplish this through:

- Parent Workshops
- Learning Festival
- Parent Portal
- School Messenger
- State assessment achievement reports
- Parent/Teacher Conferences
- Progress Reports and Report Cards
- Written Notice
- Class Dojo