



CAST Med High School

San Antonio Independent School District

Parent and Family Engagement Policy

2020-2021

A Strong partnership between the school and home is essential if a quality educational program is to be provided to all students. CAST Med High School is dedicated to the success of all students. The faculty and staff believe that the parents are vital partners with teachers and other staff in the education of their children. We believe that parent's involvement is essential to the success to our children and that student academic achievement requires that parents have an understanding of curriculum, academic achievement standards, assessments, district /school policies and procedures and how to monitor their children's progress and work with educators the improve the achievement of their children. Therefore, in an effort to encourage, be engaged and informed, our school will do the following:

- Expect high academic achievement for all children
- We want to have several methods of communication to inform parents regarding meetings, and other resources for the parents and classes: including, Title I, Calendars, Flyers, PEIMS, Websites, Marquee, etc.
- Promoting parent involvement through events & participation such as the Annual Open House in the Fall and the Spring which gives an opportunity for parents to talk to teachers thus opening the lines of communication

CAST Med values the partnership of parents in their children's education. There are many parents that can make significant contributions to student success at home by volunteering at school, and by participating in school partnership opportunities. At CAST Med may include:

- Meet the Teacher Night
- Curriculum Math
- Principal Coffee
- My SAISD Parent Access App training
- Teacher / Parent Conferences
- Open House
- Awards Assemblies for Perfect Attendance and Honor Roll
- Classroom Volunteer
- Site-based Decision-making Committee
- Field Trips

In addition, there are opportunities to develop more informal partnerships with the school by:

- Field Day
- Fall Carnival
- College Day
- Biblio-tech

Parents will be invited to be engaged in the planning, review and improvement of the school's Title I program as well as the school's Parent and Family Engagement policy. Parental input was solicited during the writing of this plan and will continue to be an important component of our Title I program. Two parent representatives are assigned to this review team; however, all parents are invited.

Parents will be invited to be engaged in the planning, review, and improvement of the school's parent compact which is designed by parents and school staff and outlines how parents, the entire campus staff and the students will share in the responsibility for improvement in the student academic achievement and will be given to all parents during the first nine weeks of school.

Parent meetings, trainings and conferences will be held at different times during the day to accommodate the needs of parents. Communications with the parents will be in a format and a language that they can understand (English and Spanish).

Information relating to the school and parent programs and other activities will be sent in a timely manner. Information will be given to parents through the school's website, newsletters from the school, monthly calendar, PTO and from the classroom teacher. In addition, the school marquee will be used to inform parents of dates of programs, meetings and activities.

Parents will have the opportunity to help review, plan for, and make suggestions to improve the Title I program as well as the Parent and Family Engagement Policy and the School – Parent Compact. A meeting will be provided in the Fall and a meeting will be held in the Spring.