



INTERNATIONAL STUDIES MAGNET SCHOOL
PARENT and FAMILY ENGAGEMENT PLAN
2019-2020

Dear Parents,

The following Parent and Family Engagement plan is for the present school year. This is the “parent friendly” version.

Sincerely,

Mr. Josh Byard,, Principal

Mrs. Julie Plunkett, Parent and Family Engagement Facilitator

Contact Strategies

- School and teacher websites
- Weekly newsletters
- Additional parent communication through emails, apps such as Remind, Alert Now, Volunteer Spot, Facebook (closed pages) Classroom Dojo, Twitter, etc will be provided
- Grade reports sent out every 5th and 9th week
- Standardized test scores and their meaning will be released as given
- Parent Information Packets will be given at the beginning of the year, in both Spanish and English
- A translator will be made available as needed, along with Ipads for translating in conference situations
- A school-parent Compact will be sent at the beginning of the school year, requiring all stakeholder signatures

Meeting and Volunteer Opportunities

- 2 regularly scheduled Parent/Teacher conferences will be held in October and March
- Parent Information Nights held at the beginning of the school year
- Trainings and Informational meetings will be offered (Book club leader training; Speakers provided on special interest topics provided, etc.
- Opportunities for volunteering, such as help with various projects throughout the year
- Open House at the beginning of the school year
- Programs (Art, Music, Academic awards, DARE graduation, etc.
- Conduct surveys regarding parental interests/occupations for speaking opportunities; This directory will be made available to all staff members

Resources for parents

- A parent center will be provided for parents in the Library Media Center. Materials will be selected based on the results of surveys, including items such as parenting books, manipulatives that can be checked out and used at home, computers, audio books, flash cards, literacy games, etc. The items are funded by district monies and and Title I monies that may be available each year