

# *Ridgecrest Elementary School*

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## **Ridgecrest Elementary School Family Engagement Plan**

Ridgecrest values Family Engagement! What is Family Engagement? It is the participation of parents in regular, two-way, and meaningful communication involving student academic learning and other school activities.



Ridgecrest Elementary School will "Leave No Child Behind."

### **Our commitment to parents is to:**

- Plan and operate activities and procedures in consultation with you
- Team with parents and students in developing and implementing our school-parent compacts
- Provide a variety of opportunities for all parents of students to participate, including limited English proficiency students, students with disabilities, and migratory children
- Submit parent comments about our RES Title 1 Plan to the Alabama State Department of Education
- Involve parents in deciding how Family Engagement funds will be spent
- Give notice of meetings two weeks in advance of meeting date using a variety of avenues

# When RES parents bring Family Engagement to life, we improve!

- Our Ridgecrest Parent Advisory Council has publicized meetings at least twice yearly and at flexible times to accommodate different work schedules. A PowerPoint presentation is presented and there is a Questions and Answers period.
- The RES Continuous Improvement Plan (CIP) Advisory Committee is an opportunity for parents to serve and implement policy at the school.
- Annual meetings are held to inform parents of the school wide program and the Title 1 requirements and offerings. These meetings also inform parents about the school curriculum, student assessment and student expectations for success.
- The RES Parent Compact given at registration outlines improving student achievement and is signed by all parents, teachers and students and reviewed by the RES CIP Advisory Committee that parents serve on
- Parent Hour (Orientation) , Lunch and Learn with the Counselor, Holiday Meals, PTA Meetings, Homework Planners, Calendar of Events, Media Announcements, and Automated Voice Messaging are just a few more ways of Family Engagement here at Ridgecrest.
- Parents have access to student grades at all times through the computer grading system (STI-Now)
- Parent conferences are scheduled to accommodate parents work schedules
- Every parents' concerns will be considered and conferences scheduled based on school guidelines
- All school information provided in a language that parents can understand
- All parents will have access to an onsite parenting room which will harbor valuable parental resources regarding the education of their child
- Parents will be contacted by all necessary means including school marquee, newspaper, radio, email, school webpage, phone, text, mail, student planners, automated voice messaging and event calendars



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