



Norton City Schools

Title 1 Family Engagement Policy/Plan

Norton Primary School

3163 Greenwich Road, Norton, Ohio 44203

Norton Elementary School

3390 S. Cleveland-Massillon Road, Norton, Ohio 44203

GENERAL EXPECTATIONS:

- Norton City Schools will work to ensure that the required school level parental involvement policies/plans meet the requirements of ESSA, and each include, as a component, a school-parent compact. (See school parent compact letter in the Title I District Handbook)
- Norton City Schools will notify parents of the policy/plan in an understandable and uniform format and, to the extent practicable, in a language the parents can understand. The policy/plan will be made available to the local community through our district website and updated periodically to meet the changing needs of parents and the school.

- Norton City Schools will provide full opportunities for the participation of parents with limited English proficiency, parents with disabilities, and parents of migratory children, including providing information and school reports in an understandable and uniform format in languages parents understand.
- Norton City Schools will involve the parents of children served in Title I, Part A schools in decisions about how Title I funds reserved for parental involvement are spent.
- The district will provide other reasonable support for parental involvement activities as the parents may request. Parental involvement means the participation of parents in regular, two-way, and meaningful communication involving student academic learning and other school activities, including ensuring the following:
 - (A) Parents play an integral role in assisting their child's learning;
 - (B) Parents are encouraged to be actively involved in their child's education at school;
 - (C) Parents are full partners in their child's education and are included, as appropriate, in decision-making to assist in the education of their child;

DESCRIPTION OF HOW SCHOOLS WILL IMPLEMENT REQUIRED SCHOOL PARENTAL INVOLVEMENT POLICY / PLAN:

- Norton City Schools will take the following actions to involve parents in the joint development of its school parental involvement plan:
 - *A written invitation will be extended to Title parents to provide input on the Parent Involvement Plan and Title 1 program.**
- Norton City Schools will take the following actions to involve parents in the process of school review and improvement:

***Parents will be provided an opportunity to complete a year end survey regarding the Title I program.**

- Title I instructors will hold annual meetings to inform parents of the school's participation in Title I programs, and to explain the Title I requirements and the right of parents to be involved in Title I programs. The school will invite all parents of children participating in Title I to this meeting and will encourage them to attend.

***A student involvement component will be included for the meeting and families leave the meeting with suggestions to support student learning in the home.**

- Norton City Schools will provide parents of participating children information in a timely manner about Title I that includes a description and explanation of the program, student selection, and the service model.

***Parents receive a permission form for Title participation that includes information about the federal Title 1 program, district and state assessments, and the qualification process for Title I**

***Parents hear a verbal explanation of the Title 1 program at the annual parent meeting.**

- Norton City Schools 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 employing the following:

***Teachers will use e-mails, phone calls, and parent communication logs for responses requiring immediate attention. Parent-Teacher Conferences will be offered a minimum of one time per year and on as needed basis for students/parents.**

- Our district 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 properly licensed within the meaning of the term in section 200.56 of the Title I Final Regulations (67 Fed. Reg. 71710, December 2, 2002) by:

***The school administration will communicate this in writing for students who have been instructed for more than 4 weeks by a teacher that is not properly licensed if applicable. Currently, this is not applicable in Norton City Schools.**

- Our district will educate its teachers, pupil services personnel, principals and other staff in how to reach out to, communicate with, and work with parents as equal partners in the value and utility of contributions of parents, and in how to implement and coordinate parent programs and build ties between parents and schools, by:

***Title I instructors will suggest and model strategies during conversations with regular classroom teachers.**

***Parent surveys will be utilized at the conclusion of the school year to obtain feedback about Title I programs.**

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