



## **Sugartown Title I Parent and Family Engagement Plan**

Sugartown recognizes that meaningful parent and family engagement contributes to the achievement of state academic standards by students participating in Title I programs.

Sugartown shall hold an annual meeting of parents and family members at a convenient time, to explain the goals and purposes of Title I programs and to inform them of their right to be involved. Parents and family members shall be given the opportunity to participate in the design, development, operation and evaluation of the program.

Parents and family members shall be encouraged to participate in planning activities, to offer suggestions, and to ask questions regarding policies and programs.

The schools shall involve parents and family members in an organized, ongoing and timely way, in the planning, review and improvement of Title I programs, the Title I Parent and Family Engagement Policy and the joint development of the Title I Plan.

At these meetings, parents and family members shall be provided:

1. Timely information about programs provided under Title I.
2. Description and explanation of the curriculum in use, the forms of academic assessment used to measure student progress, and the achievement levels of the academic standards.
3. Opportunities to formulate suggestions and to participate, as appropriate, in decisions relating to the education of their children.

### **Annual Parent and Family Engagement Plan Evaluation**

Sugartown shall conduct, with meaningful participation of parents and family members, an annual evaluation of the content and effectiveness of this plan in improving the academic quality of Sugartown's Title I program.

The evaluation shall identify:

1. Barriers to parent and family member participation, with particular attention to those who are migrants, are economically disadvantaged, have a disability, have limited English proficiency, have limited literacy, or are of any racial or ethnic minority.

2. The needs of parents and family members to assist with the learning of their children, including engaging with school personnel and teachers.
3. Strategies to support successful school and parent and family interactions.

The evaluation shall be conducted through:

1. Establishment of a schedule and process for the policy review and revision by parents and family members.
2. An evaluation of the effectiveness of the content and communication methods through a variety of methods.
3. Documentation of parent and family member input regarding Title I programs and activities from throughout the year.

Sugartown shall use the findings of the annual evaluation to design evidence-based strategies for more effective parent and family engagement, and to revise, if necessary, the District’s Title I Parent and Family Engagement Policy and Sugartown’s Title I Parent and Family Engagement Plan.

School-Parent and Family Compact

Each school in the District receiving Title I funds shall jointly develop with parents and family members a School/Parent and Family Compact outlining the manner in which parents and family members, the entire school staff and students will share responsibility for improved student academic achievement and the means by which the school and parents and family members will build and develop partnerships to help children achieve the state’s academic standards. The compact shall:

1. Describe the school's responsibility to provide high-quality curriculum and instruction in a supportive and effective learning environment, enabling students in Title I programs to meet the academic standards.
2. Describe the ways in which parents and family members will be responsible for supporting their child's learning; volunteering in the classroom; and participating, as appropriate, in decisions related to their child's education and positive use of extracurricular time.
3. Address the importance of ongoing two-way, meaningful communication between parents/family members and teachers through, at a minimum, annual parent/teacher conferences at the elementary level, frequent reports to parents and family members on their child's progress, reasonable access to staff, opportunities to volunteer and participate in their child's class, and observation of classroom activities.

Sugartown’s School Family Engagement Events:

Back to School Night	Academic Support Night	Book Fair (Fall/Spring)	Read Across America
Heritage Week	Arts Night	Conferences	Speaker Series