

#### BREMOND INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT

BREMOND ELEMENTARY SCHOOL Parent Engagement Policy



## **Bremond ISD Parent and Family Engagement Policy**

## **Statement of Purpose**

Bremond Independent School District is committed to the goal of providing a quality education for every student. In order to accomplish this goal, partnerships must be established with parents, family, and the community. Everyone gains if the school and home work together to promote high achievement for our children. The primary goal of family involvement at BISD is to promote education as a family affair. Parents play an extremely important role as the child's first teachers. The District recognizes and encourages parents in the four key roles that they play in their children's learning as:

- Teacher helping their child at home
- Supporter contributing their skills to the school and attending school functions
- Advocate helping their child receive fair treatment
- Decision Maker participating in joint problem solving with the school at every level

# Goal 1: Support Families to Become a Part of Their Child's Success By Creating a Family Friendly Climate at BISD:

The District Improvement Site-Based Committee is composed of parents, community leaders, business representatives, and district personnel. The Committee has direct input in the development and revision of the parent and family engagement policy on an annual basis, as well as district/campus improvement plans. Parent comments from parent/teacher conferences, parent surveys, and other meetings to solicit parent input are also used in the development and revision of these policies. This goal will be promoted by making positive contacts and establishing relationships between home and school through various events held throughout the year. Light snacks may be provided to encourage attendance during site-based committee meetings when Title I programs or requirements are being addressed.

## Goal 2: Involve Families Through a Variety of Activities Including Community Activities:

This goal will be promoted by hosting various events throughout the school year. BISD plans Meet the Teacher and Open House prior to the start of classes. We invite parents to attend the Elementary Christmas Program, various band concerts, FFA activities, Nursery Rhyme Day, and an annual Art Show and a Wax Museum. The elementary campus also hosts holiday class parties and invites parents to plan and participate in the excitement of the class activities.

School-wide events are posted at various locations around town as well as district media outlets to encourage participation from all. Input will be gathered from parents, families and community in order to engage and reach the whole community as stakeholders.

# **Goal 3: Increase Communication of Information to Parents and Community in the Home Language:**

Utilizing district media platforms (Facebook, Instagram, bremondisd.net), newsletters, flyers, phone calls, back to school packets, and notes will be provided in English and Spanish. Translators will be



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available for Title I related meetings, parent-teacher conferences or at the request of a parent for other attended functions and academic assistance. The campus will strive to provide and encourage two-way communication between home and school. Parent Portal is a tool where parents can access student information such as: attendance and grades. Campus personnel will receive annual training on "Valuing Parents in Education". Parent input for personnel training is included in parent surveys.

### Goal 4: Work With Parents and Family Members as Partners in Each Child's School Success:

This goal will be promoted through a variety of measures that increases communication between home and school. The campus principals, in coordination with classroom teachers and other personnel, provide technical assistance and other support necessary to help the school plan and implement effective parental and community involvement efforts. Realizing the value of parents and their contribution to the partnership of creating successful students, input will be requested to assist educational personnel in building upon that partnership relationship to strengthen ties between home and school. The district will encourage all parents and families to be an active part of their student's education. Parents have open communication with teachers through email/phone when concerns or questions arise.

These goals will be accomplished through activities and opportunities at both the elementary and secondary level. Communication will be written in more than one language. Activities and events may be offered at a variety of times and places. Goals will be updated each year using evaluations, individual events, committee input, attendance data, academic data, and parent input. Parent input will be utilized throughout the process including updates of the District and Campus Improvement Plans.