

Title 1 Parent Policy

Parental involvement is the key to academic achievement; we seek to involve parents in an effective home-school partnership that will provide the best possible education for our students. The following items explain how Maquoketa Valley plans to involve families.

- The Title 1 policy will be given to parents and family members at the time they enter Title 1. This policy will be in an understandable and uniform format. It will be as free of educational jargon as possible.
- The district plans to implement effective parent and family engagement activities aimed at improving students academic achievement and school performance. When appropriate, the district will partner with community groups as a way to engage families.
- We invite input from parents through surveys and our annual School Improvement Advisory Committee. We are interested in the needs of parents and families to better support and assist their children in learning, and the barriers that get in the way.
- The district will invite parents and family members to be involved in school activities.
- At parent teacher conferences the school will provide information to parents/family members regarding the schools Title 1 program, its requirements, and their right to be involved.
- Parent and family meetings will be held at different times during the day to enable parents to participate in meetings and training sessions.
- The district will involve parents in the planning, review, and improvement of the Title 1 program. This will occur through stakeholder group meetings, surveys, and parent conferences.
- Parents and families of participating children will be given help in understanding the Title 1 program. This will occur through an annual meeting and parent-teacher conferences. This will include: the curriculum being taught, assessments used to measure progress, and proficiency levels students are expected to meet.
- If requested by parents, the school will provide opportunities for regular meetings to participate in the decisions relating to the education of their children.
- A jointly developed school/parent compact will outline how parents and family members, as well as the entire schools staff, and students all share the responsibility for improved achievement.
- The school will provide assistance to parents in understanding the standards, assessments and requirements, per parent request.
- The school will provide resources and information to help parents work with their children.
- The school will coordinate and integrate parent involvement programs and activities with other federal, state, and local programs.
- The school will ensure that information related to school and parent programs, meetings, and activities is sent to the parents of children participating in Title 1.

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