#### **Parent Notifications**

As required by Every Student Succeeds Act (ESSA), the following information is annually shared with parents. The distribution of this document shall serve as a formal notification to parents regarding the following issues:

#### **Right to Request Information**

Each parent of a student in a Title I school has the right to request information about the professional qualifications of the student's teacher(s) and any teacher assistants who serve the student. Parents also have the right to request information on policies regarding student's participation in assessments and procedures for opting out. This information will be provided by the administrative office at the child's school upon request. This notice will also be provided by the school to all parents.

## <u>Parent Notification Regarding Teachers without State Qualifications and Certification Requirements</u>

The federal Elementary and Secondary Education Act as amended by the Every Student Succeeds Act (ESSA) requires schools that receive Title I, Part A funds to notify parents or legal guardians when their child has been taught for four (4) consecutive weeks by a teacher who has not met "applicable State certification or licensure requirements at the grade level and subject area in which the teacher has been assigned." If this occurs, your child's school will send home a letter giving you information regarding your child's teacher.

#### Florida Department of Education Family & Community Outreach

The mission of the Bureau of Family and Community Outreach is to empower families and communities with resources and information needed to promote a high quality education for their children. The Bureau reaches out to serve Florida's diverse families and communities in a number of ways, including the Just for Parents online community. We encourage you to participate in our online community and hope you will share this resource with your family and friends.

http://www.fldoe.org/family/





# South Elementary School









### 2018-2019

# South Elementary School Parent & Family Engagement Plan Summary

#### **Family Engagement Mission Statement**

"The mission of South Elementary is to help our students establish a solid academic foundation on which the building blocks of learning can be erected. Our students will also be instilled with a sense of respect for personal and community responsibility. Our students will leave South Elementary equipped with the skills they need to successfully transition to higher education."

For your convenience, the Parent & Family Engagement Plan is available in its entirety at the front office and on our website at:

http://southes.okee.k12.fl.us/

#### **South Elementary Parent & Family Engagement Plan Summary**

In support of strengthening student academic achievement, South Elementary School receives Title I, Part A funds and therefore must jointly develop with, agree on with, and distribute to parents and family members of participating children a written parent and family engagement plan that contains information required by Section 1116 of the Every Student Succeeds Act (ESSA). The plan outlines the various components of Family Engagement, including: (1) how the school will coordinate with other federal programs, (2) the various family engagement meetings it will hold, (3) how it will build the capacity for strong family engagement, and (4) how it will communicate with parents.

#### **Family Engagement**

At South Elementary, we will involve parents in our Title I, PTO, SAC, and Parent Involvement meetings.

We will invite parents to participate in the above activities using one or more of the following methods: classroom newsletters, automated calls, The Eager Eagle weekly memos, and our school Facebook page.

#### **Parent Meetings**

We will offer parental involvement meetings/activities throughout the school year. We will offer parents the opportunity to visit with their child's teacher at any time during the week. We will communicate each week with parents in one or more of the following ways: weekly newsletters/memos, the agenda books, email, or phone.

We will continue to host all of our family engagement activities at 5:30 PM, as our parents have indicated that it is the most convenient time to attend activities.

#### **Involving Parents**

South Elementary School will involve parents in an organized, ongoing, and timely way by holding PTO, SAC, and Family Engagement meetings throughout the year from September through June. These activities will include, but not be limited to Kindergarten Open House, APTT, Our International Home, Math Olympics, Literacy Luau and Food, and Science Fair and Book Fair.

#### **Other Activities**

This year our initiative is "We are Rockstars". All activities will be geared toward making parents and students feel like they are part of a family that encourages and celebrates each other. Parents are invited to attend our PTO meetings, our SAC Committee meetings, and our Parental Involvement activities. In addition to those activities, parents are invited to attend field trips and are invited to volunteer. Parent resources are provided that can used at

# **Professional Development for School Staff**

The school will provide the following training in the area of Family Engagement to its staff:

• Setting expectations for communication with parents



#### **Communication**

At the beginning of the school year, a Title I meeting will take place and information regarding Title I will be presented to parents. Throughout the school year, information is disseminated that is designed to promote active participation by the parents. This information informs parents of required assessments, curriculum, and materials that are used to educate students. Parents are encouraged to meet with their child's teacher(s) at any time that is convenient for them. Parents are invited to participate in these activities using one or more of the following methods: weekly newsletters/memos, automated calls, personal calls, the agenda book, or Facebook.

#### **Full Participation in all School Activities**

We will provide all parents with opportunities to participate in all parental involvement activities. All parents who are interested sign up for PTO, SAC, Parental Involvement, and/or to volunteer at Open House using school wide forms. PBS events are open to all parents. We notify parents of all events in English and Spanish in newsletters/memos, Facebook, and the web page. The migrant advocate and ESOL paraprofessional will be available to translate for parents who do not speak English. We also have access to Optimal Phone Service that will translate for speakers of any other language.

# Fall Family Engagement Events:

Annual Title I Review
Meeting

September 27, 2018

**Trick and Treat** 

October 25, 2018

**Winter Carnival** 

December 13, 2018

Science Fair/STEM Night

February 28, 2018