

Knox County R-I School District
Programs and Services Evaluation Form

Program: Parental Involvement

Person(s) responsible: Administrators

Number of Employees: Certified 57 Non-Certified 42 Full- and Part-Time

Number of students enrolled/participating in the program: 504

Program: Local x State x Federal x

Goals and Objectives (Can it be measured with data?):

Goal 5: Promote, facilitate, and enhance parent, student, and community involvement in the districts educational programs.

Objective 1: Annually, increase the number of parents involved in activities related to improving the academic achievement, experience and success of their children.

Evaluation Criteria (What gauges success?):

- Participation rate
- Parent surveys

Types of data collected: (Check all areas that apply)

- Surveys of staff, community, students, business
- Standardized assessments, assessment statistics
- Longitudinal performance data
- Participation or placement rates
- Financial revenues/expenditures
- Internal evaluations by staff
- External evaluations by others
- Attendance rates
- Dropout rates
- Suspension/expulsion/discipline rates
- Participation rates in co-curricular/extracurricular activities
- Special program participation rates
- College/vocational attrition rates
- College/vocational completion rates
- Student attitude and interest surveys
- other

Procedures used to evaluate the collected data:

Analyze the data from surveys and participation rates to determine the success of the parental involvement programs.

Determine the percentage of parents that do participate

Who collects the data? Administrators

Who reports the data? Administrators

Who analyzes the data? Administrators

Success of program based on the data (benefits):

Elementary School

- The Elementary School hosts several orientation and “meet the teacher” events to give families an opportunity to meet their child’s teacher and discuss expectations prior to the start of the school year. Current offerings include: Meet the PreK Teacher/Staff, Meet the Kindergarten Teachers, and Open House for grades 1–5.
- The Elementary also organizes two family activity nights each year focused on literacy and mathematics. During the fall event, Title Reading and Math teachers present on a topic relevant to parents. The spring event features family-friendly activities designed to encourage whole-family participation and to provide take-home resources and strategies that families can use to support learning at home.
- A Parent Teacher Organization (PTO) meets monthly to support staff and students. The PTO is open to all elementary families and parents are encouraged to participate.

High School

- The High School offers a range of events that actively engage parents and families. The annual iPad rollout consistently draws over 90% parent attendance and includes participation from student organizations and activities to support recruitment and family engagement.
- Transition supports include orientation programs for incoming 6th- and 9th-grade students. These orientations provide essential information for families and students and create opportunities to ask questions of teachers and administrators.
- Spring ceremonies include awards nights for 8th- and 12th-grade students. The High School also hosts events such as FAFSA Frenzy, National Honor Society induction, FFA activities, choir and band concerts, and alumni gatherings.

Districtwide Events

- The district schedules two parent–teacher conference nights each year (fall and spring), which consistently see high levels of family participation.
- Additionally, the district hosts Showcase Days and fall and spring concerts that are open to all parents and community members.

Recommended changes needed to achieve the goals and objectives of the program:

Elementary - Continues to develop ways to provide resources to students and family members.

High School - Continue to develop ways to promote student/parental participation.

District - Increase communication with parents after surveys have been given. We do a great job of asking for feedback . Where we can improve is in the follow through of a response after the feedback has been compiled and a decision made.

With the College and Career Advisor grant, several opportunities are available to increase parental communication and involvement: Decision Day, College Planning Events, and Parent Night. College and Career exposure opportunities newsletter is sent to parents

Action to be taken:

Continue to come up with different ways to involve parents, by increasing student and parent voice

Changes made in the last two years:

Fall Activity Night had increased parental participation with 24 parents (25/26)

Spring Activity Night is a family event and is no longer a student-only event. (23/24)

Added Arts and Innovation Night (24/25)

Added 8th Grade Enrollment Night (23/24)

Adding 8th- 11th Grade Enrollment Night (24/25)

The Nest/Coffee bus is open to the public at different events. (Sporting Events/Festivals)

FFA Greenhouse sold flowers uptown on the Square and hosted a trap shooting fundraiser.

Added 6th Grade Orientation

Added Senior Parent Night

Added Knox County Chirps (family newsletter written by students, 25/26)

Added Podcasting episodes (25/26)

Added Eagle Eye News (weekly updates from around the district, 25/26)

Infinite campus updates sent to parents (25/26)

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