

COLMESNEIL ISD PARENT AND FAMILY ENGAGEMENT

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Colmesneil ISD understands the value of community and family in education. We believe that it takes a strong partnership to ensure the social, emotional, and academic growth of our children. We are committed to increasing the engagement of families and our community in the education process through the following efforts:

Building Lines of Communication

Colmesneil ISD utilizes a variety of methods both formal and informal in order to facilitate effective communication among members of our educational community including:

- Parent information meetings
- Administrative Report (District Newsletter)
- Phone/email communication with Parents
- Home Visits
- Parent Portal – Web access for student grades and attendance information.
- Colmesneil ISD Facebook Page
- SeeSaw Application
- Remind 101
- Student Handbook

Giving Opportunity for Parent/Student/Staff/ Interaction

Colmesneil ISD Parents, Guardians, Stakeholders and Community Members are invited and encouraged to participate in a number of school events with their students such as the following:

- PIE Night (Parents/People Involved in Education”
- Fall and Spring Book Fair
- Back to School Open House
- Thanksgiving Dinner
- Easter Egg Hunt
- Veterans Day Program
- Christmas Band Program
- Parent/Community Volunteers
- PTO (Parent Teacher Organization)
- Grandparents Week Luncheon
- Field Day
- Physical Education Program
- Homecoming
- Moonlight Madness

Providing Extended Support Hours

Colmesneil ISD provides extended hours to students, parents, and community members at various times throughout the year for:

- Tutorials
- Homework Assistance
- Open Gym – Physical Activities
- Summer Tutorial Programs

Increasing Family Input in Decision Making

Colmesneil ISD encourages parents to be involved in local decision making and information gathering.

- Site-Based Decision Making Committee meetings
- District of Innovation Committee
- Parent Surveys / House Bill 5
- PTO
- Student Health Advisory Council
- Federal Programs Meeting (TITLE) for parents, teachers, community members and stakeholders
- 8th Grade Transition Meetings (One to One) with District Counselor

Providing Technology Access and Assistance

- Colmesneil ISD will equip students with tools to enhanced and extend learning by providing 1 to 1 technology throughout the school day
- Broadband Internet
- Chromebooks and Mini iPads.
- Emerging technologies
- Assistance in utilizing technologies for family needs via district website.

Encouraging Professional Growth Among Staff

- Staff development offered at administrator, faculty, and department meetings
- Professional Conferences and Workshops
- Staff Mentoring
- Expert Trainings***

*****Such trainings focus upon topics related to meeting to student and family needs such as:**

- Developing staff skills to support families to meet the learning goals
- Supporting parent child relationships in a way that values the culture and language of families
- Developing effective communication strategies
- Meeting social emotional needs of student and families
- Providing students and families with assistance in parent leadership and support