

**Cass Lake-Bena Middle School
Title I Parent Involvement Plan
SY 2023-2024**

Cass Lake Bena Middle School is committed to the goal of providing quality education for every child in this district. To this end, we want to establish partnerships with parents and with the community. Everyone gains if school and home work together to promote high achievement by our children. Neither home nor school can do the job alone. Parents play an extremely important role as children's first teachers. Their support for their children and for the school is critical to their children's success at every step along the way.

Part I. School Parent Involvement Plan Required Components

1. Cass Lake Bena Middle School will jointly develop/revise with parents the school parent involvement plan and distribute it to parents of participating children and make available the parent involvement plan to the local community. Parents will be invited to attend the Title meetings scheduled in the fall and spring. Parents can also contact the principal, Chari Buhman, at 335-2203, to provide input. The parent involvement plan will be provided to parents each year and posted on the district website.
2. Cass Lake Bena School will convene an annual meeting, at a convenient time, to which all parents of participating children shall be invited and encouraged to attend, to inform parents of their school's participation under this part and to explain the requirements of this part, and the right of parents to be involved. Parents will be notified by a notice being sent home with their child. Parents can also contact the principal, Chari Buhman at 335-2203 for information on the meeting. This meeting is held each fall.
3. Cass Lake Bena Middle School will offer a number of flexible meeting options, such as meetings in the morning or evening, and may provide, with funds provided under this part, transportation, child care, or home visits, as such services relate to parental involvement. Parents can also contact Principal Chari Buhman at 335-2203 to discuss meeting options.
4. Cass Lake Bena Middle School will involve parents in an organized, ongoing and timely way in the planning, review and improvement of the school plan under Section 1112, school wide under Section 1114 and the process of school review and improvement under Section 1116. Parents can also contact the principal, Chari Buhman at 335-2203 for information on planning the meeting. The spring meeting is held to review the program and make recommendations for the upcoming year.

5. Cass Lake Bena Middle School will provide parents of participating children - timely information about programs under this part:

- A description and explanation of the curriculum in use at the school, the forms of academic assessment used to measure student progress, and the proficiency levels students are expected to meet and
- If requested by parents, opportunities for regular meetings to formulate suggestions and to participate, as appropriate, in decisions relating to the education of their children and respond to any such suggestions as soon as practically possible

6. If the school-wide program plan is not satisfactory to the parents of participating children, submit any parent comments on the plan to Cass Lake Bena School District Superintendent Sue Chase when CLBMS makes the plan available to the local educational agency.

Part II. Required Shared Responsibilities for High Student Academic Achievement

As a component of the school-level parent involvement plan, CLBMS shall jointly develop with parents for all children served under this part a school-parent compact that outlines how parents, the entire school staff and students will share the responsibility for improved student academic achievement.

- Conduct a parent/teacher conference in the fall and spring and discuss teacher/parent compact as it is related to the child's achievement
- Provide frequent reports to parents on their children's progress
- Provide parents with reasonable access to staff, opportunities to volunteer and participate in their child's class and observation of classroom activities
- Provide families with reasonable access to staff, including phone and email information and
- Provide families with information regarding academic support resources available to them through the district such as tutoring, after school programs and academic referrals

Part III. Building Capacity Requirements for Involvement

1. To ensure effective involvement of parents and to support a partnership, CLBMS will offer a flexible number of meetings which include:

- Parent/Teacher Conferences held a minimum of two times per school year
- Annual back-to-school family events at the beginning of the school year
- Family involvement activities at each school, determined by individual school plans and

- Information meetings on instruction, standards, testing and parenting topics determined by family interests

2. In order to provide families with skills needed to help them work with their children to improve academic achievement, CLBMS will schedule family activity nights related to math and reading where families will receive information to assist them.

3. CLBMS shall educate teachers, pupil services personnel, principals, and other staff, with the assistance of parents, in the value and utility of contributions of parents and in how to reach out to, communicate with and work with parents as equal partners, implement and coordinate parent programs, and build ties between parents and the school.

4. CLBMS shall ensure that information related to school and parent programs, meetings and other activities is sent to the parents of participating children in a format, and to the extent practicable, in a language parents can understand.

5. CLBMS shall provide such other reasonable support for parental involvement activities under this as parents may request.

6. CLBMS may involve parents in the development of training for teachers, principals and other educators to improve the effectiveness of such training.

7. CLBMS may provide necessary literacy training from funds received under this part if the district has exhausted all other reasonably available sources of funding for such training.

8. CLBMS may pay reasonable and necessary expenses associated with local parental involvement activities, including transportation and child care costs, to enable parents to participate in school-related meetings and training sessions.

9. CLBMS may train parents to enhance the involvement of other parents.

10. CLBMS may arrange school meetings at a variety of times, or conduct in-home conferences between teachers and other educators who work directly with participating children, with parents who are unable to attend such conferences at school, in order to maximize parental involvement and participation.

11. CLBMS may adopt and implement model approaches to improving parental involvement.

12. CLBMS may establish a district parent advisory council to provide advice on all matters related to parental involvement.

13. CLBMS may develop appropriate roles for community-based organizations and businesses in parent involvement activities.

Part IV. Accessibility Requirement

CLBMS, to the extent practicable, shall provide full opportunities for the participation of parents of children with limited English proficiency, parents of children with disabilities and parents of migratory children, including providing information and school reports in a format and, to the extent practicable, in a language such parents can understand.

Part V. Adoption

The Cass Lake Bena Middle School Parental Involvement Plan has been developed jointly with, and agreed upon with, parents of children participating in the Title I program, as evidenced by meeting minutes.

The Parent Involvement Plan was developed by Cass Lake Bena Middle School and will be in effect for the 2023-2024 school year.

Chari B. Buhman

9/27/23

Chari Buhman, Principal

Date