

Parent and Family Engagement Policy & Program Bear Creek Elementary

Bear Creek Elementary is committed to our district's vision, known as the Creek Credo: "Work Hard, Show Respect, Be Kind, No Excuses." Our school's mission is to promote good citizenship and help every student reach their full potential. To achieve this, we focus on four key priorities:

2025-2026

- Student Achievement and Post-Secondary Preparedness
- Faculty and Staff Recruitment,
 Retention, and Capacity-Building
- Parent, Family, and Community
 Satisfaction and Engagement
- Strong Financial Stewardship and Internal System Efficiency

We believe that building strong relationships with families and the community is essential to providing a high-quality education for all students. One of the ways we support this mission is by participating in the Title I, Part A State Program. This program provides federal funding to schools with a high percentage of economically disadvantaged students. In return, we are committed to meeting the expectations of the Texas Education Agency and the U.S. Department of Education.

How We Use Title I Funding

Title I funds are specifically used to support our Parent and Family Engagement (PFE) program. The activities and procedures for this program are planned with the meaningful input of parents and families. All our spending and activities are subject to review by the Texas Education Agency to ensure they align with the needs of our PFE program.

Goals for Parent and Family Engagement

Our goals are to ensure that:

- Parents and families have opportunities to visit our campus at least three times a year.
- All parents and families have opportunities to communicate with teachers via email or phone.
- Parents and families are invited to end-of-year celebrations.





Getting Involved

We value your partnership and want to make it easy for you to be involved in your child's education.

Family Meetings and Activities

Information about all family events, including the Annual Title I Meeting, will be shared at least two weeks in advance through our newsletters and social media apps. We offer these events at flexible times to accommodate your schedule.

You can be involved by:

- Joining the PTA.
- Volunteering for lunch duty, in the classroom, in the copy room, or at student drop-off.
- Helping with special events like the Cub Challenge, Trunk or Treat, and the Spring Carnival.

Curriculum and Academic Assessments

We host curriculum nights in the fall where teachers review classroom procedures and provide an overview of the school year's learning targets. You will also learn about our learning management tools, such as i-Ready, Canvas, Skyward, and Edugence.

Students are assessed academically throughout the year:

- Screeners: Given three times per year (fall, winter, and spring).
- TEKS Checks:
 Administered through the Edugence system at the end of each module.
- STAAR Tests: Given to students in grades 3, 4, and 5.

Expected Achievement Levels:

- STAAR: Students are scored at the Masters, Meets, Approaches, or Does Not Meet levels.
- Grades K-2: Students are graded based on specific standards.
- Grades 3-5: Students are graded on a 100-point scale.

How to Access This Plan

This Parent and Family Engagement plan will be available at:

- Meet the Teacher event at the beginning of each school year.
- Open House in the spring.
- On the school website and within our newsletter.

If you need this document translated, please note that our website and newsletters are on Google Sites and can be translated into any language using the three-dot menu.

Requesting a Meeting

You can request a meeting with a teacher or administrator by calling the office, emailing staff directly, or using the Rooms app.