



The Brazos School for Inquiry and Creativity Parent and Family Engagement Policy 2018-2019

The Mission of The Brazos School for Inquiry and Creativity

The Brazos School for Inquiry & Creativity will collaborate with families and the community to provide a nurturing environment that will empower ALL students to be successful learners within a competitive, global society.

Statement of Purpose

BSIC is committed to providing the highest quality of instruction possible to every student enrolled in our district. The District believes that the success of each student can be enhanced through the active involvement of parents, community members, and business leaders in the educational process. The purpose of the Parent and Family Engagement Policy is to outline the steps to be taken by the district to involve all stakeholders in the fulfillment of our district Mission.

Parent Communication and Involvement

The District believes that open and frequent two way communication is one of the keys to maintaining a positive student/parent/school relationship, a relationship that is crucial to student success. To this end the District will make every possible effort to ensure that parents are kept informed of student progress. Furthermore, the District will encourage parents to be active partners in the communication process by:

- holding periodic campus wide meetings and Open Houses
- conducting culture and climate surveys throughout the school year
- regularly sending home newsletters
- student/parent/teacher conferences
- periodic automated phone/text messages
- inviting parents to participate in campus and district wide improvement committees
- parents will also be encouraged to become school volunteers
- provide information in the language most commonly used at home
- provide contact information for campus and district resources
- sending timely student progress information home to parents

School – Parent Compact

The District shall develop jointly with, and make available to, parents of students a school-parent compact that is designed to increase the sharing of responsibility between families and schools for the

high performance of students. Parents, teachers, and administrators who will be responsible for carrying out the compact will participate in its development.

District Commitment to Providing High Quality Instruction

The Brazos School for Inquiry and Creativity is committed to providing a high quality education to all of our students. To facilitate this commitment the district will:

- recruit only the highest quality teachers available
- conduct regular reviews of district curriculum materials to ensure they are addressing the needs of our students adequately
- develop and maintain a district wide integrated curriculum
- conduct routine need assessments to determine professional development needs
- provide frequent professional development activities for teachers and staff

How Parents Can Help

Parental support is important student success at school. Listed below are several suggestions for how parents can support their student's success:

- attend school meetings, Open Houses and parent conferences
- emphasize the importance of education
- provide current contact information to the campus
- encourage and assist with the completion of assigned student homework
- monitor your student's progress at school
- know your student's teacher
- ensure regular school attendance
- participate in school involvement activities
- read and respond appropriately to information sent home from school