



East Hickman Intermediate School Parent Involvement Plan

The Purpose

EHIS's Parent Involvement Plan was constructed to encourage parental involvement, create a common vision among children, parents, teachers, community members, and administrators.

The Plan

Standard 1:

Welcoming ALL Families

We want to welcome and value parents, teachers, and administrators in the planning and carrying out of programs, communication, and meetings to make the atmosphere at EHIS a positive, welcoming, and learning environment.

- We have two Parent-Teacher conferences with child care provided, and annual IEP Meetings.
- We have Open House/Orientation, Family Nights, Eagle Strut, Carnival, and the Eagle Store.
- Leadership, Activities, Positive Behavior, and Healthy Schools Committees meet monthly.
- Parents may access and/or communicate through EHIS' s website, electronic marquee, Facebook, Remind, Sky Alert, email messages, newsletters, and surveys.

Standard 2:

Technical Assistance

We include technical assistance for readily available communication for parents, teachers, community members, administrators and staff.

- Parents receive communications via EHIS's website, electronic marquee, Facebook, Remind, Sky Alert, email messages, and every-nine-week phone calls.

Standard 3:

Supporting Student Success

We encourage regular opportunities for families to strengthen their knowledge and skills to help their children to succeed academically.

- Fall/Spring Family Nights have book fairs, prizes, games, and parent workshops to help educate parents on learning strategies.
- Parents are invited to serve as members of the School-wide Leadership or Healthy Schools Committees and are able to bring any concerns relating to the education of their children.
- The purpose of scheduled or requested Parent-Teacher Conferences or IEP meetings are to discuss the child's progress, share concerns, and make suggestions between parents and teachers.
- Newsletters from administrators are sent home regarding end-of-year testing and outlining how parents can help prepare their child.

- At the annual Open House and Orientation, Title 1 services and school wide program is explained to parents.

Standard 4: *Speaking Up for Every Child*

We provide information to families to enable them to be advocates for children, ensuring fairness and equal opportunities in the children’s education.

- School and district calendar of events are given to parents telling of yearly events.
- Sign-in sheets and meeting agendas are kept on file to assess parent participation.
- Reasonable opportunities are provided for parents with limited English proficiencies and/or disabilities.

Standard 5: *Sharing Power*

We strive to have parent involvement in the making of policies, procedures, and activities planning.

- Parents are invited to serve as members of the School-wide Leadership or Healthy Schools Committees and are able to bring any concerns relating to the education of their children.
- We make Parent-School Compacts and surveys to gain insight from all stakeholders.
- There is a Suggestion Corner at Open House/Orientation and Family Nights where parents can voice praises, concerns, and opinions written and verbally.

Standard 6: *Collaborating with Community*

We reach out to the community, students, parents, and staff by expanding our learning opportunities; community services and events; and civic participation.

- Surveys are sent to all stakeholders for the purpose of using data to plan the next year.
- Parents are able to eat Thanksgiving and Christmas lunches with their children.
- Each classroom is adopted by a community organization who provides support throughout the year. *Adopt a Classroom*
- Local churches make weekend snack bags for eligible students. *Friday Friends*
- Read 20 is a video-promoted program set up at local parks and other establishments where people can receive free books to READ 20 minutes with their children.
- During our annual Career Day, a wide range of careers are brought on-site where children engage and interact with community members.
- Hickman County 4-H agent provides monthly instruction to 4th and 5th grade students, and our students interact with high school 4-H members.
- Community members, parents, and district employees are proctors during our TCAP TNReady testing.