

Palm Springs Community Middle School

2019 – 2020 Parent and Family Engagement Plan Summary

Parent and Family Engagement Mission Statement

Palm Springs Middle School is committed to involving families in shared decision-making and encouraging families to become active participants in their child's educational process by effectively communicating instructional goals, creating an environment that is inviting for families, and establishing the school as the center of the community.

Annual Title I Meeting

Each year, families are invited to attend this meeting at the beginning of the school year to learn more about our schoolwide Title I Program and the requirements of Title I. Our meeting will be on October 24th at 5:30 p.m. in the media center.

Accessibility for all Families

We encourage all families to attend meetings and events and provide supports needed so all families are able to participate. We provide translated documents and interpreters, childcare, accessible meeting space, and multiple meeting days and times. Please notify the school if other assistance is needed. We want all families to be a part of their child's education!

Parent and Family Engagement Activities

Based on family survey input, we will provide the following activities to assist families in understanding the state curriculum and assessments to help families improve their children's academic achievement:

- Academic Nights/SIS training for families to learn how to navigate SIS, view student test history classes, grades and message teachers.
- AVID Parent Nights to inform families of the college process to assist their children through this process and provide the opportunity for families to become involved and to encourage their children.
- 5th grade success academy – Students will be able to see the school, get information on the grading process and start to become familiar with the middle school process.

Shared Decision Making

Families will be invited to many meetings throughout the year to receive academic information and provide input on ways the school, families and students can share responsibility for student success. We hope you will join us for SAC meetings, parent conferences, and Title I meetings and trainings.

Communication

Based on your input, we will communicate in many ways, including our School website and Twitter; through emails and phone calls and text messages. All communication will be in both English and Spanish. If you find that communication doesn't seem to be getting home, please let us know.

Volunteers

Families are encouraged to volunteer at our school to help students and teachers be successful. To find out more about volunteer opportunities, please call our school's volunteer coordinator. We'd love to have your help.

Our Plan

This plan was written in partnership with families and other members of our school community. We welcome your suggestions to improve our family engagement practices. If you have comments, you may write them on the back of the tear off.

Please sign below to let us know you've read the summary. The signed portion should be returned to your child's first hour teacher.
