

2020-21 Muessel Title I Parent Involvement Policy

SOUTH BEND COMMUNITY SCHOOL CORPORATION

Muessel Elementary School
1021 Blaine Avenue, South Bend, IN 46616

“TEAM MUESSEL”

MISSION

A safe, stimulating, and nurturing environment will be provided for all children at Muessel Elementary School. Every child will have the opportunity to reach their potential and demonstrate appropriate educational progress, citizenship, and conduct.

POLICY

Muessel Elementary School has developed this Parent Involvement Policy in conjunction with the Title I Parent Advisory Council (PAC), consisting of parent representatives from each of the SBCSC's Title I schools. This policy and a Family and School Agreement will be distributed to parents of all students attending Muessel Elementary School.

An Annual Title I Meeting will be held virtually before the end of October to inform parents of their children's participation in Title I, the purpose and requirements of Title I, and the parents' right and responsibility to be involved in the program. These meetings will be held at times that are convenient for parent participation and will include translation for parents with limited English proficiency. Parents will be emailed and asked to go over the information and submit a response.

Staff and parent representatives will meet annually in May to review the Parent Involvement Policy, at which time, any necessary revisions will be made for the next school year. District PAC meetings will be held to review current Title I programs and make decisions for future programs.

The effectiveness and/or dissatisfaction of the Muessel Elementary School Title I program will be collected periodically and copies of the results will be given to the SBCSC Title I department for review. Copies of the results will be added to the Annual Title I Application for Grant and will also be available for parents to review upon request.

Parent Involvement Activities

Muessel Elementary Center provides opportunities for all parents to learn about the Indiana Academic Standards, the SBCSC curriculum, methods of assessment at Muessel, and practical tools to use at home that will support the educational process.

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The Family and Community School Specialist (FACSS) may conduct individual meetings with parents and give parents resources to use at home. The Family Community School Specialist is responsible for special events, phone contacts, home visits and welcoming current and new parents to Muessel Elementary School. This is all done to meet the academic needs of students. The FACSS works together with the school, community and home so that the parents will feel a sense of belonging.

Parents of students in the Title I program at Muessel Elementary School receive school performance profiles, individual student test data, and interpretation of testing results for the ISTEP+ and tests at applicable grade levels. Student report cards provide ongoing progress reports for parents.

Parent Volunteers

During the 2020-21 school year, Muessel Elementary School will develop opportunities for parent and community volunteerism to support the academic needs of children through virtual Parent Cafe's, Wednesday Round-ups and/or Zoom meetings. Parents will be asked to participate in our virtual activities a minimum of three hours in a school year using the PTA Three For Me model.

Building Capacity for Involvement

Muessel Elementary School encourages parent involvement through the following:

Providing free books and hands on activities for parents and students to work together

Educating all staff on how to communicate and work with all parents

Coordinating and integrating, as appropriate, parent involvement program/activities with child development and parenting resources through the FACSS or Social Worker

Developing collective partnerships with community based organizations

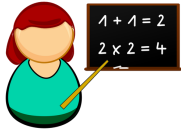
Communicating in a way that meets parents' needs

Providing additional parent support and opportunities for involvement, as appropriate, based on parents' interests and suggestions

HOME & SCHOOL COMPACT

The Home & School Compact is also known as the Home and School Agreement which outlines a collaborative effort of parents, teachers, and students to take action to support the educational process of selected Title I students. The compact will be signed by each parent, teacher and/or student to express agreement with its terms.

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Muessel Elementary School 2020-21 Home and School Agreement



The Student will:

- Attend school each day on time ready to learn via elearning or in person
- Work hard to do their personal best
- Respect the personal rights and properties of others
- Agree to the teacher and classroom rules and practice the life skills of respect, organization, citizenship, kindness, and self-control (Muessel R.O.C.K.S. initiative)
- Have a positive attitude

The Parent (s) will:

- Send a well nourished and rested child to school each day on time ready to learn
- Maintain high expectations for their child
- Have on-going communication with teachers
- Participate in a minimum of three hours of service during the school year
- Take an active role in their child's education and parent meetings
- Ensure that their child follows all classroom and school rules while respecting the personal rights and property of others
- Practice the life skills of respect, organization, citizenship, kindness and self-control at home (Muessel R.O.C.K.S. initiative.)

Muessel Elementary School pledges to:

- Provide a safe and positive learning environment
- Provide opportunities for students to work cooperatively, creatively, and to be successful
- Honor students, their families, and their cultural and individual differences while modeling the life skills of respect, organization, citizenship, kindness, and self-control (Muessel R.O.C.K.S. initiative)
- Communicate with parents on each student's academic growth and achievement and offer suggestions for improvement

Parent/Guardian Signature

Date

Student Name

Principal Signature

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