

# Family Engagement Framework

San Isidro Independent School District (SIISD) strongly believe that all parents, teachers, and community leaders are a “valuable link” in the educational success of all students. We promote the involvement of these key stakeholders by having them take part in the process that allows them to contribute by providing input to the efforts to provide services that will maximize the quality of education for all students in SIISD. We have established a family engagement plan to increase the collaboration between all stakeholders. The family engagement plan will: (a) facilitate family-to-family support; (b) establish a network of community resources; (c) increase family participation in decision making; (d) equip families with tools to enhance and extend learning; (e) provide ongoing professional development opportunities for educators on culturally responsive, evidence-based strategies that support the education of the child; and (f) evaluate family engagement efforts and use evaluations for continuous improvement.

The active participation of parents, teachers, and community leaders in all aspects of students’ education is a valuable tool that San Isidro I.S.D. welcomes and respects. Working together with all stakeholders makes the “Tradition of pride and academic excellence strives...”

Components	SIISD's Strategic Plan
Facilitate family-to-family support	<p>SIISD will ensure the plan is applicable in different environments. The district plan will include but is not limited to Parental Involvement Assistants at our elementary campus to assist with the campus-family relationships. We will provide parents with opportunities to participate in district and campus initiatives, such as:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• PTO</li> <li>• Pop Into Reading</li> <li>• Evening hands-on activities / festivities</li> <li>• Goal-oriented home visits to identify strengths, interests, and concerns</li> </ul> <p>Provide information about the existing parent-to-parent organizations, family peer networks and/or parent-initiated school-community efforts to continue advocating throughout our community.</p>

<p>Establish a network of community resources</p>	<p>SIISD in partnership with several Community and</p> <p>Faith-Based organizations will establish resources that provide services to the students, to equip parents and caregivers in identifying and appreciating the developmental growth of their child. Some of the resources will be:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Digital Doctor</li> <li>• Food Bank</li> <li>• San Isidore Catholic Church Catechism</li> <li>• First Baptist Church Bible Study Programs</li> </ul>
<p>Increase family participation in decision making</p>	<p>SIISD encourages family participation in decision-making. We want parents to share their goals of engagement. Their contributions are crucial to a well-rounded and well thought out plan that will facilitate support for all stakeholders and promote positive student achievement. Parents will be invited to participate in:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Campus and District wide Site-Based Decision-Making Committees (SBDM)</li> <li>• Superintendent's District Parent Round Table (SDPRT)</li> <li>• Regularly scheduled district and campus-level meetings</li> <li>• Invite family feedback on activities through surveys</li> </ul>
<p>Equip families with tools to enhance and extend learning</p>	<p>SIISD will provide families with tools to enhance and extend learning by providing parents for example, with monthly calendars with at home activities that are age and</p>

	<p>developmentally appropriate for the children and activities, such as:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Campus Literacy Events (Pop Into Reading)</li> </ul>
<p>Provide ongoing professional development opportunities for educators on culturally responsive, evidence-based strategies that support the education of the child; and</p>	<p>SIISD's goal is to bring awareness of the district's Parental Involvement Program, ESSA/Federal requirements and guidelines with emphasis on the value and impact of parent's contribution to school.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Staff development offered at administrator, faculty, and department meetings</li> <li>• Develop staff skills to support families to meet their learning goals</li> <li>• Support parent-child relationships in a way that values the culture and language of families and recognize how different cultures may influence family development</li> <li>• Develop effective communication strategies</li> <li>• Bring in speakers</li> <li>• Region One trainings</li> <li>• GEAR UP Family Trainings</li> <li>• Provide families with training in parent leadership and support</li> </ul>
<p>Evaluate family engagement efforts and use evaluations for continuous improvement</p>	<p>Trainings, workshops, meetings, and parental involvement activities, when applicable, are followed with an evaluation / survey which provides parents the opportunity to express their views on the value of the activity.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Use parent input to provide valuable information in the planning,</li> </ul>

	<p>development and implementation of programs for the district</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Work together with families to imagine new learning opportunities for their child</li><li>• Compile evaluation data and use it to plan and implement a more effective Parental Involvement Program</li></ul>
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