# POTTSBORO ELEMENTARY SCHOOL TITLE I - PARENT INVOLVEMENT POLICY

#### **Purpose Statement:**

Pottsboro Elementary School is dedicated to the philosophy that parent involvement and communication are integral to the success of each student. For this reason, parents are actively recruited as our partners in educational success. The faculty and staff strive to see that parents and community members always feel welcome at Pottsboro Elementary School.

#### **Policy Development and Evaluation:**

Our parent involvement policy is reviewed each year by our campus and district improvement committees comprised of staff, parents, and business leaders. This updated policy becomes part of the elementary campus handbook for the coming school year. Parents & families, when requested, will have opportunities for regular meetings to formulate suggestions and to participate, as appropriate, in decisions relating to the education of their children. Pottsboro Elementary School will respond to any such suggestions as soon as practicably possible.

#### Annual Meeting for Title I Parents and Families

Pottsboro Elementary School will hold two meetings annually to review guidelines and services offered through Title I programing. These meetings will be held at a convenient time, to which all parents of participating children shall be invited and encouraged to attend. Parents will be informed of the school's participation under Title I, the requirements of the program and their right to be involved.

## **Parent-Student Compact**

In accordance with Title I regulations, Pottsboro Elementary School has developed and will annually update a School-Parent Compact. This compact provides information regarding how students, parents, families, and school staff share responsibility for promoting student achievement.

The School-Parent Compact will be distributed to all students at the beginning of each school year and at enrollment for new students.

Note: Parents and/or students are not required to sign and return the compacts to the school.

## Parent and Family Communication

Every effort is made to keep parents informed of school events and to provide continuous communication regarding curriculum, academic assessments and the progress of their children, via:

- Parent-Teacher Conferences
- Email
- Remind

- Social Media
- Daily and weekly folders reporting homework, progress, and behavior information
- Parent Portal
- Monthly newsletter with parenting tips
- Progress report cards every three weeks
- Report cards every six weeks
- Yearly Title I meetings
- School-Parent Compact
- Academic assessment results reported to parents
- District website
- Parent Surveys

## Parent and Family Engagement Opportunities

Our school offers many creative ways that parents are encouraged to participate and become involved as volunteers, such as:

- **PTA**
- Library Assistants
- Scholastic Book Fairs
- STEM Night
- Bulletin Boards
- Mentors
- Tutors
- Book Buddies
- Accelerated Reader Helpers
- Foster Grandparents
- Grandparent Lunch Duty
- Grandparent Breakfast
- Classroom Aides
- Spirit Fridays
- Art Show
- Cardinal Field Day
- Cardinal Pride Awards
- Watchdogs

## **Staff Education**

Pottsboro Elementary School will educate teachers, specialized instruction support personnel, principals, other school leaders and staff, with the assistance of parents, in the value and utility of contributions of parents / families, and in how to reach out to communicate with, and work with parents as equal partners.