

PARENT & FAMILY ENGAGEMENT POLICY

RAINIER COMMITMENT

Rainier Middle School is committed to the goal of providing quality education for every child at our school. To this end, we want to establish partnerships with parents and with the community. Everyone gains if Rainier Middle School and family work together to promote high achievement for our children. Neither home nor Rainier Middle School can do the job alone. Families play an extremely important role as children's first teachers.

Rainier Middle School recognizes that some students may need the extra assistance available through the Title I program to reach the state's high academic standards. Rainier Middle School intends to include parents in all aspects of the school's Title I program. The goal is a school-home partnership that will help all students to succeed.



COMMUNICATION/SCHOOL CLIMATE

Communication is a key element in the building of the parent/school partnership. RMS sends messages by email, phone, ParentSquare, and posting key information on the school website.

INVOLVEMENT IN SCHOOL

Parent involvement is always encouraged. Family Access is available online 24 hours a day to check grades and attendance using Skyward. Conferences with a teacher require prearrangement. If parents would like to volunteer, a 24-hour background check must be done prior to the volunteer date. Call the main office for more information.

PARENT & FAMILY ENGAGEMENT POLICY INPUT

Rainier Middle School will jointly develop/revise with parents the school Parent and Family Engagement policy/procedures and distribute it to parents of participating children and make available the Parent and Family Engagement policy/procedures to the local community. The actions that will be taken are as follows:

- Families will be asked to read and provide any input on changes during parent-teacher conferences.
- Parent and Family Engagement Policy will be sent out in the Fall/Winter in different ways such as hard copies and ParentSquare.
- New students and families will be given a hard copy.
- The parent and family engagement policy will be available on Rainier's school website.

RAINIER MIDDLE SCHOOL



PARENT EDUCATION

Throughout the year, parents will be provided opportunities to learn more about their student's academic progress, school programs and initiatives, Rainier's School Improvement Plan (SIP), and engage in conversations about their student with educators during conferences. Parents may also contact staff by email or phone to request a parent conference. These opportunities offer parents and staff time to discuss how parents can support their student at home. Title I information including suggestions for assisting their student in a variety of ways will be available on the school website.

LEARNING AT HOME

The Title I program encourages students to practice their skills at home with the support of their parents. Teachers give students assignments that support the curriculum. More information about the curriculum can be found on the school website and Auburn School District website. Teachers can communicate classwork/homework to be done at home through email, ParentSquare, or Google Classroom.



TITLE I ANNUAL MEETING

RMS will convene an annual Title I meeting at the beginning of Open House, to which all parents of participating children shall be invited and encouraged to attend. During this meeting parents will be informed of their school's participation with Title I and their rights as parents to be involved.

SCHOOL PARENT COMPACT

A Title I Compact is sent home with all students. At this time, parents are asked to commit to ways they will be able to help their student at home. Throughout the course of the year there will be different forms of communication provided. This includes newsletters, emails, and ParentSquare messages.

EXTENDED LEARNING

All extended learning opportunities are dependent on Title I funding. RMS will provide after school tutoring to help students in core subject areas: math, science, English language arts, social studies.