

2023-2024 Clint ISD Early College Academy Parent and Family Engagement Policy

Every Student Succeeds Act Section 1116

Mission Statement

The mission of the Clint Independent School District is to prepare all students to be successful citizens. The District will work in partnership with the community and the family to create opportunities for *the student* to maximize their personal potential.

Annual Goals

1. The District will be a model of high standards for student academic excellence.
2. The District will ensure a safe well-disciplined positive learning environment for all students.
3. The District will operate efficiently being fiscally responsible.
4. The District will become the employer of choice in order to seek and retain effective personnel.
5. ***The District will include parents, community, and business members in the education of all students.***

Clint Independent School District will be governed by the following statutory definition of parent and family engagement:

Parent and family engagement are defined as the participation of parents and family members in a regular, two-way and meaningful communication involving student academic learning and other school activities, including ensuring:

- Parents play an integral role in assisting their child's learning.
- Parents are encouraged to be actively involved in their child's education.
- Parents are full partners in their child's education and are included, as appropriate, in decision-making and on advisory committees to assist in the education of their child.

In support to improve student academic excellence, Clint ISD has developed this parent and family engagement policy that establishes the district's expectations for parental involvement and guides the strategies and resources that will strengthen school and parent partnerships. This policy will describe Clint ISD commitment to engage families in the education of their children and to build the capacity of its schools to implement family engagement strategies and activities outlined in the Campus Improvement Plan (CIP) and in the District Improvement Plan (DIP) to help achieve student academic excellence.

1. **Clint ISD Early College Academy** shall jointly develop with, and distribute to, parents and family members of participating children a written parent and family engagement policy, agreed on by such parents, that shall describe the means for carrying out the requirements of ESSA Section 1116 subsections (c) through (f). Parents shall be notified of the policy in an understandable and uniform format and, to the extent practicable, provided in a language the parents can understand. Such policy shall be made available to the local community and updated periodically to meet the changing needs of parents and the school. Section 1116 (b)(1) & (e)(5)

The Clint ISD Early College Academy policy evaluation meeting occurs in June following the school year in which it was implemented. During the evaluation meeting parent feedback and input is gathered. Parents are notified of the Parent Family Engagement Policy evaluation meeting via the campus website, email, the Remind app, and BlackBoard Mass Notification system. Feedback and input from the evaluation meeting is used to develop the following school years policy and compact. The Clint ISD Early College Academy Parent Family Engagement Policy and Compact will be distributed at the Title 1 Part A Parent meeting, school open houses and via email. The Policy and compact will also be available on campus at the attendance, counseling and principals office. The Clint ISD Early College Academy Parent Family Engagement Policy and Compact as well as other information are currently available to parents and all stakeholders in parent friendly language in English and Spanish which are the languages of parents of students currently attending.

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Parents are informed about the PFE program and activities initially through Title 1 Part A meeting. Thereafter program and activity information will be disseminated via open houses twice a year, through the campus website, parent emails, Blackboard Mass Notification system, flyers sent home with students when possible. Curriculum and Assessment information is provided to parents and families through open house meetings twice a year and through parent/teacher or parent/administration meetings as they occur at the request of the parent, teacher or administration.

6. If the Campus Improvement Plan (CIP) under section 1114(b) is not satisfactory to the parents of participating children, submit any parent comments on the plan when the school makes the plan available to the district staff responsible for the CIP. Section 1116 (c)(5)

The CECA Campus Improvement Plan is explained to parents at the Title 1 Part A meeting. Parents may provide any comments, concerns or suggestions to the Principal, Assistant Principal, Campus secretary or other staff members in writing, by phone or via email. All parent input will be forwarded to the principal.

7. To ensure effective involvement of parents and to support a partnership among the school involved, parents, and the community to improve student academic achievement, shall: Section 1116 (e)

- (i) provide information to parents of children served by the school, as appropriate, in understanding such topics as the challenging State academic standards, State and local academic assessments, the requirements of this part, and how to monitor a child's progress and how to work with educators to improve the achievement of their children; Section 1116 (e)(1)

Testing information about SAT/PSAT, STAAR/EOC, MAP, TSIA2, AP will be provided to parents at a testing information meeting. Requirements for assessments, sample assessment questions, testing dates and how to read score reports will be shared with parents. Suggestions on monitoring their child's progress on State and local assessments will be provided.

- (ii) provide materials and training to help parents to work with their children to improve their children's achievement, such as literacy training and using technology (including education about the harms of copyright piracy), as appropriate, to foster parental involvement; Section 1116 (e)(2)

Training, parent work shop s and information will be provided to parents via the campus website, email and flyers made available on campus to parents. This information will include College readiness, Social Emotional Learning strategies, the importance of using technology appropriately, and FAFSA information, meeting dates, testing dates etc.

- (iii) educate teachers, specialized instructional support personnel, principals, and other school leaders, and other staff, with the assistance of parents, in the value and utility of contributions of parents, and in how to reach out to, communicate with, and work with parents as equal partners, implement and coordinate parent programs, and build ties between parents and the school; Section 1116 (e)(3)

CECA will train teachers on the importance of communication with parents, the role of parents in the success of the student, and the role of parents in the development of the PFE programs and activities. Activities include the Annual training for teachers on Parent Involvement, and opportunities at other training venues that teachers may choose to attend. Parents may provide input on the training for teachers during PFE Policy and Compact evaluation meetings as well as at any time during the school year by contacting campus administration.

2. **Clint ISD Early College Academy** shall convene an annual meeting, at a convenient time, to which all parents of participating children shall be invited and encouraged to attend, to inform parents of their school's participation under this part and to explain the requirements of this part, and the right of the parents to be involved; Section 1116 (c)(1)

The Title 1 Part A annual information meeting will be held virtual via Google Meets and in person at the Clint ISD Early College Academy in English and Spanish. During the Spring Semester the recording of the meeting will be made available to parents via the campus website for parents to view at their convenience. Parents will be notified of the Fall meeting via email, campus website, BlackBoard Mass Notification System. The video link and presentation will be forwarded to parents via email and placed on the campus website.

3. **Clint ISD Early College Academy** shall offer a flexible number of meetings, such as meetings in the morning or evening, and may provide, with funds provided under this part, transportation, childcare, or home visits, as such services relate to parental involvement (in order to provide these activities, they must be addressed in the Campus Needs Assessment and the Campus Improvement Plan); Section 1116 (c)(2)

The Clint ISD Early College Academy will offer parent family engagement meetings virtual via Google Meets and in person in English and Spanish at various days and times. Virtual meetings will be recorded and links to the video placed on the campus website. Documents used at in person meetings will also be placed on the campus website. Parent Family Engagement meetings include but are not limited to: 1.) Title 1 Part A Annual Meeting 2.) Technology including how to access EOC scores on the parent portal and review grades and attendance on Skyward. 3.) Information on all tests students participate in such as STAAR/EOC/ AP/ MAP/ TSIA2 4.) FAFSA Night 5.) Social Emotional Learning strategies for parents

4. **Clint ISD Early College Academy** shall involve parents, in an organized, ongoing, and timely way, in the planning, review, and improvement of programs under this part, including the planning, review, and improvement of the school parent and family engagement policy and the joint development of the schoolwide program plan under section 1114(b) (Campus Improvement Plan), except that if a school has in place a process for involving parents in the joint planning and design of the school's programs, the school may use that process, if such process includes an adequate representation of parents of participating children this could include the site base committee; Section 1116 (c)(3)

Parent representatives as well as parents in general will be provided with opportunities to participate in developing PFE program and activities. Parent representatives are invited to CECA CIT team meetings where they are encouraged to give feedback and input on various campus activities. All parents will have opportunities to provide feedback and input in to the programs implemented at CECA through parent surveys, participation in evaluation meetings, or simply reaching out to the campus staff or administration regarding their need for a specific training or information

5. **Clint ISD Early College Academy** shall provide parents of participating children—
 - (A) send information about programs or activities under this part with enough time this way parents and family can plan to assist;
 - (B) a description and explanation of the curriculum in use at the school, the forms of academic assessment used to measure student progress, and the achievement levels of the challenging State academic standards; and
 - (C) if requested by parents, opportunities for regular meetings to formulate suggestions and to participate, as appropriate, in decisions relating to the education of their children, and respond to any such suggestions as soon as practicably possible;Section 1116 (c)(4)

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- (iv) to the extent feasible and appropriate, coordinate and integrate parent involvement programs and activities with other Federal, State, and local programs, including public preschool programs, and conduct other activities, such as parent resource centers, that encourage and support parents in more fully participating in the education of their children;

Section 1116 (e)(4)

CECA will coordinate with other programs such as the School Resources Officer, ESL/Bilingual Dept., Special Education Dept. and other district programs to provide PFE activities as feasible and appropriate.

- (v) provide such other reasonable support for parental involvement activities as parents may request. Section 1116 (e)(14)

As part of the Clint ISD the Clint ISD Early College Academy provides other types of PFE programs, services and resources to parents including but not limited to information about Food banks, counseling services available to parents and students, COVID-19 information and resources

The **Clint ISD Early College Academy** parent and family engagement policy has been developed/revised jointly with, and agreed upon with parents of participating children and school staff on July 17, 2023, as evidenced by meeting minutes, and will be in effect for the period of the 2021-2022 school year. The school policy and school-parent-student compact will be distributed to all parents of participating children during both Open House (Fall & Spring). **Clint ISD Early College Academy** will use various means of communication (district/school websites, correspondence, Open House, newsletters, parent meetings, Facebook, Twitter, Class Dojo app, Remind app, and other forms of communication) to distribute the policy to parents, family members, and the community.


Signed by the Authorized Administrator

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Date

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