

Title 1 School Parent and Family Engagement Policy Neidig Elementary School 2021 - 2022

At Neidig Elementary School, we believe that parents are key members of the school community. We value every parent's participation in making decisions that will impact their child(ren)'s education. The Neidig Title 1 School Parent and Family Engagement Policy is a fluid document—meaning the entire Neidig community has input into this policy. During the fall Title 1 Parent Informational Meeting, we take time for all constituents to help plan, review, and improve this policy. School personnel also request ongoing input and feedback about the Title 1 program during other meetings throughout the school year.

Title 1 is a federally funded program that benefits all identified children by providing additional learning opportunities for qualifying schools. This funding is used to supplement the educational opportunities of identified students.

Communication

In order to build consistent and effective communication between the home and school, ongoing communication will provide parents with information about the school's curriculum, the Title 1 program, state and local assessments, how progress is measured, and how students are selected for Title 1 services. Listed below are ways in which timely communication between the home and school will occur:

- Neidig Back to School Night
- Social Media (ie. Neidig facebook account)
- Seesaw
- Quakertown Community School District's website with links to academic standards and district rubrics
- Curriculum Information Opportunities for ReadyGEN and Wit and Wisdom:

Back to School Night, ELA Family Communication Letters, Title 1 Parent Informational Meeting, individual conferences, etc.

- Title 1 Fall Parent Informational meeting
- Home-School Compact (developed jointly)
- Standards-based Report Cards
- DIBELS 8 Parent Reports for foundational reading skills
- National Education Week parent visitations
- Personal contact by phone, email or letter
- P.A.L. Meetings Principal's Report includes Title 1 Updates
- Neidig Newsletters
- Other methods, as suggested by parents/guardians

Opportunities for Parent Involvement

Parents will be encouraged to participate in school events and volunteer in activities such as:

- National Education Week classroom visitations and observations
- Participation in the Title 1 Parent Advisory Committee that plans, reviews, and suggests improvements of the school's Title 1 program
- P.A.L. meetings and reading events
- Title 1 Program Parent Surveys
- Back to School Nights at each grade level
- Superintendent's Parent Council Meetings

Accommodations will be made to ensure that all parents have the opportunity to participate in an informed way.

Parent Training and Support

The following opportunities and materials are available to help parents with techniques and strategies they may use to improve their children's academic success and assist their children in learning at home:

- Student materials available for home use and practice
- Bucks County Intermediate Unit Parent Workshops
- Quakertown Community School District Title 1 parent workshops
- ELA Family Communication Letters (ReadyGEN, Fundations/Wit and Wisdom)

Partners in Education

The adults working at Neidig Elementary School believe that a student is most successful in his/her education when everyone works together. The school team meets regularly to discuss strategies to maximize student achievement and parent engagement at our school. We also partner with other state, federal, and local agencies to maximize educational opportunities for your child.

The Neidig Reading Specialists thank you for your support and involvement in your child's reading program. We look forward to working with you and your child this year.

* This written policy is available in other languages.

