



# **Dickinson Independent School District**

## **Dickinson High School**

### **Title I Parent Involvement Policy**

#### **2016-2017**

#### STATEMENT OF PURPOSE

The DISD Board of Trustees, in collaboration with the administration and staff of Dickinson High School, continue to focus on the importance of family involvement and community engagement. Dickinson High School strives to create and maintain a welcoming atmosphere for parent and community involvement. We encourage meaningful collaboration with all stakeholders so that communication between home, school and the community is continuous, fluid, and open. In order to ensure greater opportunities for student success, Dickinson High School supports:

- Activities that encourage parent involvement,
- A positive and productive working relationship between educators and families of all student groups,
- A school culture and climate that encourages open communication between school and families.

#### PARENT INVOLVEMENT POLICY DEVELOPMENT

Annually parents and school staff will work to revise and improve the District and Campus Parent Involvement Policies. The format and language of this policy is designed to be easily read and understood. Copies will be available on the district's website and are available to parents and other members of the community upon request.

#### ANNUAL DISTRICT MEETING/EVALUATION

Dickinson ISD uses Title I funds to provide school wide services for students on 12 campuses. Dickinson High School is one of those 12 campuses. The Dickinson High School Campus Improvement Committee will hold at least one meeting annually to review Title I, Part A parent involvement guidelines and services offered through the district. The meeting will be held at a convenient time and location. Notice of the meeting will be provided through invitation to parents and public notices. Copies of the Dickinson High School Parent Involvement Policy will be distributed and discussed at the meeting. Parents, administration, staff, and community members will be encouraged to become involved in revising and updating the policy as necessary and parent volunteers will be recruited for various campus committee appointments.

#### SCHOOL COMPACT

In accordance with Title I regulations, each Title I school and their parent representatives will evaluate Dickinson High School's Parent Compact annually and revise if needed. This compact will identify ways the school, parents and students share in the responsibility for student performance and success. A copy of the Dickinson High School Compact detailing these responsibilities will be made available on our campus website, distributed to parents through flyers, provided to parents during parent-teacher conferences and upon request. Parent/student signatures will not be required; however, parents are encouraged to discuss the contents of the compact with their student.

#### PARENT INVOLVEMENT OPPORTUNITIES

Dickinson High School supports parental involvement in a variety of ways as they strive to develop and maintain an optimum learning environment for all students. Parents and community members may contribute through volunteering at school and by creating a supportive environment. Parent and community member suggestions for

improving Dickinson High School are encouraged and welcomed. Successful school, parent and community communication will strengthen and reinforce everyone’s desire for continued achievement for every student in the district. The following activities, programs and /or services are provided by Dickinson High School to strengthen the partnership between school, home, and community:

**School/Parent Communication**

SKYWARD Parent Access  
 NAVIANCE Parent/Student Access  
 Remind 101  
 District Website  
 Campus Website  
 Teacher Websites  
 Principal’s Corner  
 Fall Open House  
 Spring Parent University  
 Teacher/Parent Conferences  
 School Messenger Call-Out System  
 Teacher Syllabus  
 Advanced Placement Parent Meetings  
 Title I Parent Informational Meeting  
 Dual Credit Parent Meetings  
 Booster Club Organization Meetings  
 Parent Surveys  
 Campus Improvement Committee  
 Parent Involvement Committee  
 Student Award Ceremonies  
 SHAC Committee  
 Counselor Newsletter Email Blasts  
 GATOR Bytes  
 GATOR Vision  
 Dickinson High School PTO  
 Project Graduation Parent Committee

**School Activities**

District Health Fair  
 Campus College and Career Fair  
 Fundraisers  
 Homecoming Week  
 Alumni/Hall of Honor  
 Family Thanksgiving Dinner  
 Lighted Windows/Open Doors  
 Red Ribbon Week  
 School Musical  
 Veterans’ Day Concert  
 Athletic Events  
 Fine Arts Events  
 Empty Stocking Community Project  
 Stuff the Bus Community Project  
 Houston Livestock Show and Rodeo  
 Galveston County Livestock Show and Rodeo  
 Project Graduation  
 Dickinson Railroad Museum Art Show  
 School Dances  
 Top 10 GALA  
 Ascending Seniors GALA  
 Athletic/Fine Arts Banquets

**Community Organizations**

Communities in Schools  
 Business Partnerships  
 DISD Education Foundation

**STAFF/PARENT COMMUNICATION**

Newsletters, conferences, personal contacts and written notices will be utilized to establish and maintain an open line of communication. In addition, our district, campus, and teacher websites and other internet and electronic sources will be kept up-to-date in an effort to inform families. All Dickinson High School staff members will make every effort to communicate positively and work effectively with parents and community members.

**FUNDING /COORDINATION WITH OTHER PROGRAMS**

A minimum of one percent of the Title I, Part A funds will be set aside by Dickinson ISD for purposes of parental involvement activities. The District distributes a large portion of these funds proportionally to the Title I campuses. Dickinson High School will spend Title I funds according to identified, comprehensive needs and Title I guidelines. Coordination, technical assistance and other support will also be provided by the district to assist campuses and families in planning and implementing parental involvement activities. This coordination will also include other programs in order to maximize district, state, and federal monies.

**CONCLUDING STATEMENT**

Dickinson High School is committed to the success of students. We will work together with parents, community members and Dickinson High School staff to monitor the effectiveness of our Parental Involvement and Title I Programs in order to provide excellence in education. This policy will be promoted by the administrators, principals, and other Dickinson High School staff as we seek active participation by our parents.

# Dickinson High School 2016-2017 Parent Compact



So that every DHS student enjoys a quality learning experience that prepares him/her for a successful post high school learning and/or working experience, we will work collaboratively to provide a school environment that is safe and that respects the individual differences and the unique qualities of all stakeholders.

## Dickinson High School Teachers will:

- be On Time, On Task, and On a *Mission* every day,
- teach bell to bell in every class every day,
- provide quality, engaging, and relevant instruction every day in every class for every student,
- expect all students to achieve at their highest levels,
- be proficient at analyzing and using student performance data to inform instructional decisions,
- attend ARD and 504 meetings well-prepared to discuss student achievement,
- communicate with all parents in a timely, professional, and effective manner,
- build positive and productive relationships with students and their parents,
- provide a well-structured classroom learning environment that is emotionally and physically safe,
- stay current on educational trends, best-practices strategies, and research-based methodologies,
- be approachable, caring, and giving AND be creative, imaginative, and innovative.

## Dickinson High School Parents will:

- provide home environments that support students in their efforts to be on time, on task, and on a *mission* toward High School Graduation,
- ensure their student is in school every day,
- have high expectations for academic achievement for their student,
- stay informed of their student's academic progress by checking SKYWARD regularly,
- accept, listen to and respond to call outs and emails from the school,
- support their student's interests in extra-curricular and co-curricular activities,
- communicate with teachers, counselors and administrators in a timely and effective manner,
- attend parent/teacher conferences, ARD and 504 meetings,
- support the DISD dress code and other policies and procedures that direct student behavior,
- join PTO and booster club organizations,
- share in the JOY and EXCITEMENT of their student's high school experience.

## Dickinson High School students will:

- be On Time, On Task, and On a *Mission* every day,
- come to school each day well prepared, well rested, and ready to do my best work,
- have high expectations for myself and my peers,
- actively engage in the learning tasks assigned by my teachers,
- show respect for myself, my peers, my teachers, and the school environment,
- get involved in extra-curricular and/or co-curricular activities,
- conduct my actions in accordance with DHS and DISD rules and expectations,
- commit to and engage in the Dickinson High School literacy initiative, *Gotta Keep Reading*,
- communicate with my parents, my counselor, my teachers, and my school administrators,
- attend tutorials when needed,
- have a plan for post-high school college/work,
- GRADUATE in four years well-prepared to enter college, the military, and/or the workplace.

Teacher Signature \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

Parent Signature \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

Student Signature \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_