Jim Tangeman Center Title I Parent Participation Plan

Jim Tangeman Center staff is committed to the goal of providing quality education for every child in our school. Everyone gains if parents are partners with teachers and other staff in the education of their children.

Jim Tangeman Center staff believes that improving student academic achievement requires parents have an understanding of curriculum, academic achievement standards, assessments, district/school policies and procedures, and how to monitor their children's progress and work with educators, and is committed to doing what it takes.

Jim Tangeman Center staff will jointly develop/revise with parents the school Parent Participation Plan at the Fall Parent Advisory/Learning Improvement Team Committee Meeting. The plan will be distributed to parents and the local community in newsletters, and on the school website at www.vansd.org (Jim Tangeman Center).

Parent Advisory/Learning Improvement Team assists in developing and reviewing the School Improvement Plan as well as having opportunities to participate in other parent involvement activities. The dates and times will be posted on the Jim Tangeman Center monthly newsletter.

An annual meeting to inform parents of Jim Tangeman Center participation as a Title I School-wide site, the requirements of Title I, and the rights of the parents to be involved, will occur at the Parent Participation meeting during the September Open House, October student conferences, and February Family Night.

Parents are provided an opportunity to meet with classroom teachers during the district's scheduled conference days. Parents are also encouraged to meet with their children's teachers at any time during the school year. During the fall Open House, the Parent/School Compact will be developed and signed.

All parents will be notified of their child's assessment scores and eligibility for additional academic help during the school day, after school, or in summer programs. Parents are informed of student progress via the Fall Parent/Teacher conferences, semester Progress Reports, and IEP meetings. Parents are encouraged to request information regarding their child's academic progress at any time from the school staff.

Jim Tangeman Center students are instructed by teachers trained in use of District approved curriculum. Students requiring additional reading help may participate in programs such as Wonderworks, Read Well, Corrective Reading, Reading Mastery, and Imagine Learning. Students are assessed in a variety of ways including district adopted i-Ready for summative assessment 3 times annually, and on-going progress monitoring, Smarter Balanced Assessment Consortium (SBAC) and Curriculum Based Measurements.

Jim Tangeman Center staff will participate in a variety of professional development opportunities throughout the school year. Staff will participate in both building and district level professional development focused on improving parent and school partnerships.

Jim Tangeman Center staff has a philosophy that every teacher is a reading and math teacher. The Reading and Math Pathways guide the instruction for staff. All Federal, State and local resources that relate to reading and math instruction are coordinated to benefit student academic achievement.

Information related to Jim Tangeman Center parent programs, meetings, and other activities will be sent to parents in the school newsletter, through classroom news bulletins, and posted on the school website. Every attempt will be made to clearly communicate information in the parents' native language.

Parents are invited and encouraged to get involved at Jim Tangeman Center in the following ways:

Serve on Parent Advisory Committee
Participate in the School/parent Compact
Attend Family Night activities
Attend parent education evenings
Attend school functions and events
Review and provide input on the SIP

The Jim Tangeman Center Parent Participation Plan has been developed/revised jointly with, and agreed upon with parents of children participating in a Schoolwide Title I program, as evidenced by meeting minutes on file in the school office.

The Parent Participation Plan is developed/revised by the Jim Tangeman Center Program in September and will be in effect for the school year. The school will distribute this Parent Participation Plan to all parents of participating Title I children and make it available to the community on or before October.

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