

**Solway
ELEMENTARY**
BEMIDJI AREA SCHOOLS
Family Engagement
Plan
2023-2024

DISTRICT MISSION:

Our mission is to empower each learner to succeed in our diverse and changing world. We are committed to creating an environment where...

- Each learner will be challenged to develop to his/her full potential.
- Basic knowledge, skills and attitude are necessary for success.
- Learning is a lifelong process that enriches our lives.
- **Education is a partnership with family and community.**
- Each person will show sensitivity and respect for self and others.
- There are expectations of quality for ourselves and for others.

PART I. SCHOOL FAMILY ENGAGEMENT PLAN REQUIRED COMPONENTS

Solway Elementary will develop and revise the school Family Engagement Plan jointly with parents/guardians of the school and will distribute and make the plan available to families and the local community.

Actions	Date	Person(s) Responsible
Website	May - Plan and Revise	Site Manager
File in Title I Binder	May - Plan and Revise	Title I Teachers

Solway Elementary will hold a Title I annual meeting, in which families are informed about their school's participation in Title I. Parents will be informed of the requirements of Title I, and the right of families to be involved in the education of their children.

Actions	Date Due	Person(s) Responsible
Parent Compacts	Fall/Spring Conferences	Classroom/Title I Teachers
Parent Advisory Council (PAC)	Fall	Title I Teachers/Title I Director
Parent Intervention Letters	Fall/as students receive serv.	Title I Teachers

Solway Elementary will offer a flexible number of meetings/activities, such as meetings in the morning or evening, and may provide, with Title I funds, transportation, child care, or home visits, as deemed necessary to help remove barriers to parent/guardian participation in these school activities and meetings.

Actions	Date Due	Person(s) Responsible
Tiger Bags	Sept-May	Classroom/Title I Teachers
Tiger Teasers	Monthly	Classroom/Title I Teachers
PTO/Title I Family Fun Night	October	PTO/Title I Teachers

Math Game Day	December or January	Classroom/Title I Teachers
I Love to Read Week-dress up days, classroom activities & muffin morning	March 2-March 6	Classroom/Title I Teachers

Solway Elementary will involve families, in an organized, ongoing, and timely way, in the planning, review, and improvement of the school.

Actions	Date Due	Person(s) Responsible
PTO Meetings	Monthly	PTO Representatives/Parents
Parent Advisory Council (PAC)	Fall	Title I Teachers/Title I Director

Solway Elementary will provide families:

- oo timely information about the school's programs;
- oo a description and explanation of the curriculum in use at the school, the forms of academic assessment used to measure student progress, and the proficiency levels students are expected to meet; and
- oo if requested by families, 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 practically possible.

Actions	Date Due	Person(s) Responsible
Title I Conference - Letters	Fall/Spring	Title I Teachers
Parent Intervention Letters	Fall/as students receive serv.	Title I Teachers
Parent Advisory Council	Fall	Title I Teachers

PART II REQUIRED SHARED RESPONSIBILITIES FOR HIGH STUDENT ACADEMIC ACHIEVEMENT

As a component of the school-level family/community engagement each school shall jointly develop with families for all children a school-family compact that outlines how families, the entire school staff, and students will share the responsibility for improved student academic achievement.

- oo Conduct a family/teacher conference in elementary schools, annually (at a minimum), during which the compact shall be discussed as the compact relates to the individual child's achievement;
- oo Provide frequent reports to families on their children's progress; and
- oo Provide families with reasonable access to staff, opportunities to volunteer and participate in their child's class and observation of classroom activities.

Actions	Date Due	Person(s) Responsible
Parent Compacts	Conferences Fall/Spring	Classroom/Title I Teachers

BUILDING CAPACITY REQUIREMENTS FOR INVOLVEMENT

Solway Elementary will ensure effective involvement of families/community and will support a partnership among the school, families, and the community to improve student academic achievement. The school will -

- oo provide assistance to the families as appropriate, in understanding topics such as the State's academic content and achievement standards, State and local academic assessments, and how to monitor a child's progress and work with educators to improve the achievement of their children;
- oo provide materials and training to help families to work with their children to improve their children's achievement, such as literacy training and using technology, as appropriate, to foster family involvement;

Actions	Date Due	Person(s) Responsible
Conferences	Fall/Spring	Classroom Teachers
Title I Website	On going	Website Manager
Title I Parent Events	Throughout the Year	Classroom/Title I Teachers/Principal

Solway Elementary will educate teachers, pupil services personnel, principals, and other staff, with the assistance of families, in the value and utility of contributions of families, and in how to reach out to, communicate with, and work with families as equal partners, implement and coordinate family programs, and build ties between families and the school;

Actions	Date Due	Person(s) Responsible
Parent Compact	Conferences Spring/Fall	Classroom/Title I Teachers
Title I Parent Events	Throughout the Year	Classroom/Title I Teachers/Principal
PAC Meeting	Fall	Title I Teachers/Title I Director
Intervention and Conference Letter	Fall/Spring	Classroom/Title I Teachers

Solway Elementary will, to the extent feasible and appropriate, coordinate and integrate family involvement programs and activities with Head Start, public preschool programs and other organizations and programs with similar interests in supporting families as partners in their children's education.

Actions	Date Due	Person(s) Responsible
N/A	N/A	N/A

Solway Elementary will ensure that information related to school and family programs, meetings and other activities is sent to the families in a format and, to the extent practicable, in a language families can understand.

Actions	Date Due	Person(s) Responsible
Parent Compacts	Conferences Fall/Spring	Classroom Teachers
Title I Letters	Throughout the Year	Title I Teachers

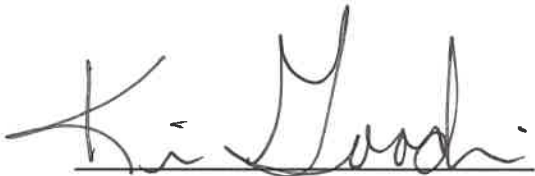
PART III ACCESSIBILITY REQUIREMENTS

In carrying out the family involvement requirements, schools, to the extent practicable, will provide full opportunities for the participation of families with children with limited English proficiency, and families with children with disabilities, including providing information and school reports in a format and, to the extent practicable, in a language families can understand.

PART IV ADOPTION

This Solway Elementary Family Engagement Plan has been developed jointly with, and agreed on with, families of children participating in the school's Title I program, as evidenced by meeting minutes.

The Family Engagement Plan was developed by Solway Elementary on September 20, 2021 and will be in effect for the period of one school year. The school will distribute this Family Engagement Plan to all families and make it available to the community on or before September 19th, 2022.



Principal Signature

These families were involved with the development of this document at a meeting held by the school on the date(s) listed above.

PARENT NAME PRINTED	PARENT SIGNATURE
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