

Parental Involvement Research

Extensive research demonstrates a positive and convincing relationship between family involvement and benefits for students, including improved academic achievement. This relationship holds across families of all economic, racial/ethnic, and educational backgrounds and for students at all ages. The benefits for students include:

- higher grade point averages and scores on standardized tests or rating scales,
- enrollment in more challenging academic programs,
- more classes passed and credits earned,
- better attendance,
- improved behavior at home and at school, and
- better social skills and adaptation to school."

One of the National Standards for Family and School Partnership is communication. Some of the ways we communicate with our parents is through:

Our webpages

Automated phone call out system

Email

Marquee

Campus newsletter

Classroom newsletter

Parent teacher conferences

Weekly folders or notes

Grade level parent meetings

Reminder stickers

Kindergarten orientation events

Use of translators at meetings

Our services and programs

Wilson offers a variety of services and programs in order to serve all of our students and offer a place for them to belong. These programs include: Ballet Folklorico, Choir, Orchestra, Robotics, Chess Club, STEAM Club, Library Club, Dual Language, Backpack Buddies, Mentor Breakfast, Six week award assemblies, Dyslexia, RTI committee, 504 committee, IEP Team, MTSS, LPAC Team, Reading Counts celebrations, Reading Buddies, Student Leadership Team, and many others.

Ways to Be Involved and Engaged in Our Schools

- Ready Rosie is an online resource for parents that offers instant, interactive, and consistent parent-child engagement activities aligned to our reading and math curriculum. These programs are provided by Denton ISD at no charge to parents whose child(ren) attend campuses that receive Title I funds. Ready Rosie is designed to serve children from birth to third grade. If you've ever asked, "How can I help my child at home?" this is THE resource for you!
- Attend parent-teacher conferences.
- Attend school activities with your child(ren) such as the Science Fair, STEAM Nights, Dual Language events, field trips, class parties, eat lunch with your child, and shop the Book Fair.
- Volunteer at your child's school. You can be a mentor to students, parent laminator, help stuff the Monday folders, become a room parent, and/or serve on the Campus Leadership Team.
- Join the Parent-Teacher Association (PTA) at your child's school. You can volunteer at the Book Fair, the family dance, teacher appreciation week, bring goodies to teachers, join the PTA board, volunteer during the carnival, and many other opportunities.
- Talk, read, and play with your child(ren). Talking about anything encourages learning about everything. Readers get their start on the lap of a parent. Playing ignites learning, creativity, and curiosity.



Wilson Elementary School 2020-2021 Parent and Family Engagement Policy



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Purpose of the Policy

Because school age children spend 70% of their waking hours (including weekends and holidays) outside of school, parental involvement and engagement is essential to the success of children in school. While volunteering at school is beneficial, and attending parent-teacher conferences, school events, and parent involvement activities is important, "the most significant type of involvement is what parents do at home. By monitoring, supporting and advocating, parents can be engaged in ways that ensure that their children have every opportunity for success." Involvement encompasses: setting goals with children and fostering achievement of those goals, accessing and using children's academic scores to ensure they're on track, developing a relationship with children's teachers by keeping in touch with them often, as well as advocating for improvements in the school building and with local, state, and federal officials to ensure schools have the resources they need to provide a world class education to every student.

At Woodrow Wilson we value:

Perseverance

CommUNITY

Innovation

Integrity

Responsibility

Development of the Parent and Family Engagement Policy

According to the Every Student Succeeds Act, "Each school served under Title I 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." Further, each school shall "involve parents, in an organized, ongoing, and timely way, in the planning, review, and improvement of programs under Title I, including the planning, review, and improvement of the school parent and family engagement policy." This brochure is our way of informing parents of our family engagement policy.

Title I Annual Meeting

Each school served under Title I 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 Title I and to explain the requirements of Title I, and the rights of the parents to be involved." Our Title 1 Annual Meeting is conducted in the spring semester during the Science Fair.

School-Parent Compact

Each school served under Title I shall "jointly develop with parents for all children served under this part a school-parent compact that outlines how parents, the entire school staff, and students will share the responsibility for improved student academic achievement and the means by which the school and parents will build and develop a partnership to help children achieve the State's high standards." Please visit <http://www.dentonisd.org/compact> for more information about our school compact.

Schoolwide Program Plan

Each school served under Title I shall "involve parents, in an organized, ongoing, and timely way, in the joint development of the schoolwide program plan." Parent representatives serve on our Campus Leadership Team (CLT) and assist in the development of the campus improvement plan. With the assistance of parents of students on our campus, our CLT has developed our campus improvement plan, which is approved yearly by the Denton ISD Board of Trustees and is readily available on our school website.

Denton ISD: Empowering lifelong learners to be engaged citizens who positively impact their local and global community.

Woodrow Wilson Elementary:

Wilson's mission is to partner with families and the community to prepare our children to become productive members of society by meeting the needs of the whole child. We will provide an educational foundation that supports all students in developing the skills needed to become lifelong learners and meet the challenges of a rapidly changing world.