

Turtle Rock Elementary School Title 1 Parent Involvement Policy

Turtle Rock Elementary School staff believes that well-informed parents who are actively engaged in the decision-making process relative to their children's education contribute significantly to the success of each student and the school as a whole.

1. Parents will be notified if their child is identified for services under the school's NCLB Title 1 Program, and the Turtle Rock staff will hold at least one annual meeting to support and inform parents of the school's participation in the Title 1, Part A program. The meeting will explain the program's requirements and the right of parents to be involved in the Title 1, Part A programs.
2. The school will convene the meeting at a convenient time to parents and will offer a flexible number of additional parental involvement meetings. The school will invite to this meeting all parents of children participating in Title 1, Part A program and will encourage the parents to attend.
3. The school will provide information to parents of participating students in an understandable and uniform format, including alternative formats upon the request of parents with disabilities, and, to the extent practicable, in a language that parents can understand.
4. In a timely manner, the school will provide to parents of participating children information about the school's Title 1, Part A programs of intervention which include a description and explanation of the school's curriculum, the forms of academic assessment used to measure children's progress, and the proficiency levels students are expected to meet.
5. The school will solicit requests from parents and will provide opportunities for regular meetings for parents to formulate suggestions, and to participate, as

appropriate, in decisions about the education of their children. The school will respond to any such suggestions as soon as practically possible.

6. The school will provide to each parent an individual student report about the performance of their child on the California assessment in math, language arts and reading.
7. The ROCKS Compact outlines how the parents, students and the entire staff will share the responsibility for improved student academic achievement. This will be disseminated in the opening packet. Teachers will provide parents with frequent reports on their children's progress.
8. Explanations of and special invitations to participate in established programs of parent involvement will be extended to parents of Title 1 identified students. Examples of programs at Turtle Rock School which invite parent involvement are:

- Back-to-School Night
- Classroom Volunteer Program
- Conferences
- Jr. Achievement
- Open House
- Parent Teacher Association
- School Site Council Advisory Committee

9. School staff will conduct activities which encourage parents to learn how to support the learning environment at school and at home. Examples of those activities are:

- C.B.E.T. classes
- 6th grade Science Fair Information Night
- New Families Orientations (twice a year)
- Welcome e-mail to new families from Principal
- Welcome phone call in home language from PTA

10. The staff will provide each parent timely notice when their child has been assigned or has been taught for four (4) or more consecutive weeks by a teacher who is not highly qualified within the meaning of the term in section 200.56 of the Title I Final Regulations (67. Fed. Reg. 71710, December 2, 2002).
11. The school staff will conduct, with parent involvement, an annual evaluation of the content and effectiveness of the parent involvement policy in improving the academic quality of the school. Results of the evaluation will guide staff to design strategies for more effective parent involvement and, if necessary, revising the parent involvement policy.
12. The Turtle Rock Elementary School Title 1 Parent Involvement Policy has been jointly developed with input taken from Turtle Rock Elementary School staff and parents of Title 1 students served in the school. The policy has been submitted to and approved by the Turtle Rock School Site Council.
13. The policy was developed to encourage parent participation in school programs and parent partnerships in building effective and supportive learning environments for students. Implementation of this policy and development of partnerships with parents are important elements in our quest to enable all students to achieve high academic standards.