

# Silverdale Elementary Parent Involvement Plan

## 2017-18

### Parent Involvement

- An annual spring meeting is held to evaluate and revise this Parent Involvement Plan. This meeting includes the principal, teachers, paraprofessionals and parents. The revised plan will be shared with all parents at the fall Open House Night. All parents are welcome to review the plan at any time during the year.
- Our School Improvement Plan (SIP) guides our instruction to help ensure student success. Planning and annual review of the SIP takes place within our shared decision making team. The team includes the principal, teachers, paraprofessionals, and parent representation. All parents are welcome to review the plan at any time during the year.

### Providing Parents with Information

- At our fall curriculum/open house night, a copy of our parent involvement plan and a description of the LAP program is shared. The principal, teaching staff and paraprofessionals are available to answer questions.
- When a student is invited to participate in a school intervention, parents are informed in writing. The classroom teacher shares progress with parents, as needed, based on ongoing assessments.
- During November conferences, parents are invited to ask questions about the intervention and offer suggestions as student progress is discussed. Parents are also encouraged to share insight about their child and how he/she best learns.
- Interpreters will be provided for limited English speaking and deaf/hard of hearing parents.
- Additional tools to communicate with parents include: the use of E-News to send out the link for the school newsletter, including LAP information at the annual Kindergarten Round-Up & providing information about curriculum, assessments and programs throughout the year through newsletters, conferences and meetings.

### Effective Parent Involvement to Improve Achievement

- Parents are welcome to request meetings, provide suggestions and participate in their child's education throughout the year. There are many ways to do this including conferences with the classroom teacher, Student Success Team meetings and discussions with the principal and other support staff. Staff is willing to work with parents to assist in the success of the student. We welcome suggestions and requests.
- Our Student Success Team is set up to meet weekly. Students can be referred by any staff member as well as by parents who have concerns about a child's achievement in school. This is a team effort involving the parent, learning specialist, school psychologist, principal, classroom teacher and any other staff with whom the child works. As a team we discuss strengths, concerns and strategies. Interventions may be put in place to better assist the student, teacher and parent.
- Teachers communicate ways in which to support their student's learning at home such as: using online textbook tools, accessing school/teacher sites for homework and assignments, as well as viewing school calendars/daily announcements and other recommended websites.

### Welcoming School Climate

- Ensure a welcoming environment so that a parent is greeted with respect upon entering the school and at all points of contact thereafter.
- Focus on family strengths and common goals when working with parents and students in areas of concern related to academics, discipline, and attendance.