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 Van Buren School District
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District Parent and Family Engagement Plan

School Year:	2018-2019
Superintendent:	Dr. Harold Jeffcoat
District Parent and Family Engagement Coordinator:	Karen Allen
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Parent and Family Engagement Committee Members

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First Name	Last Name	Position
Karen	Allen	Assistant Superintendent District Parent and Family Engagement Coordinator
Nancy	Robbins	Curriculum Director
Kristina	Jones	Parent
Misty	Cheatham	Parent
Paula	Mannis	Assistant Director of Special Education
Jennifer	Feeny	PIF- River Valley Virtual Academy

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First Name	Last Name	Position
Krista	Brown	PIF- Parkview Elementary
Angie	Blake	PIF- Rena Elementary
Jill	McClaren	PIF- Central Elementary
Debbie	Griffin	PIF- King Elementary
Kathy	Smith	PIF- Tate Elementary
Amber	Hurst	PIF- City Heights Elementary

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First Name	Last Name	Position
Stephanie	Richesin	PIF Northridge Middle School
Anita	Reagan	PIF- Northridge Middle School
Stacey	Moore	PIF- Butterfield Trail Middle School
Tammy	Poole	PIF- Freshman Academy
Dusti	Hurst	PIF- High School
Lindsey	Trantham	VBSD Education

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Kim	Holman	Assistant Principal- Van Buren High School

Goal 1: How will the LEA foster effective parent and family engagement strategies and support partnerships among school, parents, and the community to improve student achievement?

- Develop and disseminate district parent and family engagement policy (www.vbsd.us). A hard copy will be provided to parents through school sites. (Fall 2018, Karen Allen, Coordinator and building principals)
- Conduct an annual meeting in the spring to update policy for next year's Title I, Part A program. (May 2019, Karen Allen, Coordinator)
- Reserve a minimum of 1% of the Title I, Part A allocation for parent and family engagement, with 90% going to Title I, Part A schools, with priority given to "high-need" schools (\$25,000.00).
- Coordinate parent and family engagement activities with the ABC preschool programs at King Elementary and James R. Tate Elementary. (Karen Allen, Coordinator, and Robert Childers/Renee Risley, Principals)
- Establish parent and family engagement contact person at each of the Title I, Part A schools. (see school Parent Facilitators in committee member list)
- Conduct an annual review of the effectiveness of the parent and family engagement policy during the spring VBSD Parent and Family Engagement Committee Meeting. (May 2019, Karen Allen, Coordinator)
- Develop district parent and family engagement committee to create a parent and family engagement policy and implement parent and family engagement activities as well as disseminate information to the community to promote parent and family engagement in the Title I, Part A schools. (September 21, 2018 Karen Allen, Coordinator)
- Involve parents in the process of school review and improvement.

Goal 2: How will the district provide coordination, technical assistance, and other support necessary to assist participating schools in planning and implementing effective parental engagement?

- Conduct ongoing site visits to observe parent and family engagement practices (District Administrative Staff).
- Provide materials and training not otherwise available to assist parents in supporting their child's academic achievement.
- Enhance the awareness and skills of teachers, pupil service personnel, principals, and staff in reaching out to, communicating with, and working with parents as equal partners (Karen Allen, District Coordinator and Principals).
- Ensure, to the extent possible, that information is sent home in a language and form parents can understand (Karen Allen, District Coordinator, Principals and Program Directors).
- Monitor each Title I, Part A school to ensure that each school performs the following tasks:

- Develop parent and family engagement policy
- Offer flexible meeting times
- Provide information to parents about the school's program, include parent information guide
- Develop and use the School-Parent Compact
- Provide training for parents in working with their child to improve academic achievement, to include training on the phone notification system in order to have real-time access to their child's attendance and achievement (Principals).

Goal 3: How will the district build the school's capacity for strong parental engagement?

- Provide information to participating parents in such areas as national, state, and local education goals, including parents' rights as defined in Title I, Part A. (Information regarding parents' rights as defined by Title I Part A will be disseminated at district/school level annual Title I meetings. Information regarding national, state, and local educational goals will be disseminated at district/school level annual Report to the Public.
- Assist in the development of parent engagement groups at each school. (Karen Allen, Coordinator)
- Involve parents through an annual survey to improve school effectiveness. (Principals and school parent facilitators will distribute and collect parent surveys.)
- Provide any reasonable support for parent and family engagement at the request of participating Title I, Part A schools. (Karen Allen, Coordinator)

Goal 4: How will the district conduct, with the involvement of parents, ongoing evaluation of the content and effectiveness of the parent and family engagement plan as it relates to strategies for increasing parental participation and identifying barriers to greater participation?

- Survey parents annually, including questions to identify barriers to parent and family engagement. (Karen Allen, Coordinator, will ensure the distribution and collection of the surveys. Results will be tabulated and disseminated to district parent involvement committee members.)
- Provide an opportunity for the parents to assist in the development of the evaluation procedures, including analysis of data collected. (Karen Allen, Coordinator)
- Use finding from evaluation process to:
 - Make recommendations to each participating school for parent and family engagement policy revision.
 - Provide suggestions for designing school improvement policies, as they relate to parent and family engagement. (Karen Allen, Coordinator)
- Develop and disseminate an annual parent activity evaluation report to share with parents, staff and the community. (Karen Allen, Coordinator)

Goal 5: How will the district involve parents in the joint development of the district Title I Application under section 1112 (ACSIP)?

Recruit parents to serve on district ACSIP committee to develop the Title I application. (Annual VBSD ACSIP committee meeting. Building principals will be responsible for inviting parents to serve on the ACSIP Committee.)

ADE Reviewer Responses:

Goals	Attention: Changes Needed!	In Compliance	Comments	Date of Feedback
			Van Buren School District's 2018-2019 Parent	10/2/2018

Goal 1	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	and Family Engagement Plan has been reviewed and is in compliance. No revisions are needed at this time. The plan can now be posted to your website. Please, retain a copy of this review along with a copy of your 2018-2019 Parent and Family Engagement Plan for your records. Thanks so much for the hard work and effort that went into completing your plan.	
Goal 2	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>		10/2/2018
Goal 3	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>		10/2/2018
Goal 4	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>		10/2/2018
Goal 5	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>		10/2/2018