## **Holly Elementary Parent Involvement Policy**

Holly Elementary will build capacity for strong parental involvement. The following activities, specifically described below, are designed to ensure effective involvement of parents and to support a partnership among the parents, and the community to improve student academic achievement.

- A. Provide assistance to parents of children served at Holly Elementary, as appropriate, in understanding topics such as the following:
  - Common Core standards for Math and English Language Arts, Michigan's grade level content standards, the State and local academic assessments including alternate assessments, and how to monitor their child's progress and how to work with teachers.
- B. Holly Elementary will provide materials and training to help parents work with their children to improve their children's academic achievement, such as literacy training, and using technology, as appropriate, to foster parental involvement.
- C. All Staff will communicate and work with parents as equal partners in development of their child. Staff will implement and coordinate parent programs and build ties between parents and Holly Elementary.
- D. Holly Elementary will ensure that information related to the school and parent- programs, meetings, and other activities, is communicated to the parents of participating children in an understandable and uniform format, including alternative formats upon request.

Through the joint cooperation of all the Holly Elementary stakeholders, the above items are accomplished but not limited to, the following activities:

Holly Elementary office staff and principal communicate with parents in regards to our School Improvement Plan; NCA; NCLB; Common Core State Standards for curriculum; Federal Standards for Title One; opportunities for parent training; ways parents can be involved in our school; information to help families with both academic and social needs by: Monthly school newsletters; school web-site; Skylert; personal mailings; email; phone calls; CTM's; meeting in person; PTO membership and presentations; principal presents at Title One meetings; opportunities to serve on committees and volunteer in a variety of areas.

**Teachers** communicate with parents in regards to grade level expectations; their children's progress; ways to help their children achieve; ways to help parents to be involved both at school and at home in their child's education by: class newsletters; phone calls; email; school website; teacher articles in the PTO newsletter; CTM's; IEP's; teacher presentations at PTO; curriculum nights; classroom volunteers; goal reports for Title One students; conferences (both official in October and March and informal as needed); and report cards.

**Title One Staff** communicate with parents regarding Title One requirements; review the parent policy and parent compact yearly; help parents monitor their child's progress; offer opportunities to volunteer and be part of the school community; provide technology at home; provide training in the core curricular areas including technology by: school website; email; phone calls; notices of meetings; conferences; CTM's; handouts, articles and websites for parents.

Parents communicate with staff regarding the needs of their children and their ideas for Holly Elementary by: attending conferences, CTM's, IEP's, PTO meetings, title one and other curricular information meetings and while in attendance sharing ideas and filling out questionnaires &/or feedback sheets; they may call or email the school to ask questions, give input or set up appointments, they may volunteer to work as a mentor or be on another committee as needed.

This Holly Elementary Parental Involvement Policy has been developed jointly with, and agreed on with, parents of children participating in Title I, Part A programs, as evidenced by participation in a meeting on Oct. 6, 2009.

This policy will be adopted by the Holly Elementary Community on the date of the first PTO meeting of the 2016/2017 school year and will be in effect for the period of one year. The policy will be distributed in the Holly Elementary Parent Handbook each year. This policy will be reviewed and amended as needed at the annual Fall Holly Elementary Title One Meeting.

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Holly Elementary Principal

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