

Parent and Community Involvement

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The College Preparatory and Leadership Academy of High Point

Communication - We promote Parent and Community Involvement using several communication tools. Parents receive a weekly newsletter (digital and hard-copy). The newsletter shares with parents school wide information about school policy, homework assignments, parent meetings, tutoring, workshops, community events, etc. Information is shared with parents through face-to-face communication, telephone calls and email. Our school website is also a communication tool that shares general information about the school and contact information. Our goal is effective two-way communication so every parent is connected.

Parenting – We promote and support responsible parenting by having Parent Homework Workshops. These workshops empower parents with information and helpful tips that will benefit their child’s education. At the beginning of the school year, we held a Kindergarten Workshop and Parent Boot Camp to help parents understand school needs and school expectations. These events also allowed parents an opportunity to express their concerns.

Student Learning – We promote student learning by providing a school environment that makes learning fun and interesting. Our faculty has the creative freedom to teach according to the student’s learning style whether it is visual, singing songs, rhyming or hands-on. Students are assessed every week on class lessons and homework. Parents receive the results of the assessment which keeps them “in the know” of their child’s academic progress. If needed, the teacher and parent collaborate to provide tutoring. We also promote student learning by providing parents with online learning games that are accessible through our school website.

Volunteering – We promote parent involvement by ensuring parents, family members and caregivers that they are welcome in the school and seek their support and assistance in a variety of ways. Parents are encouraged to volunteer as reading buddies, lunch buddies, chaperones and other areas as needed. Parents complete a volunteer form that provides which area they want to volunteer, specific days and times. In September, our 1st - 4th graders took a field trip to tour college campuses and we had several parent chaperones to volunteer their time and effort. Our parents also volunteered to decorate a trailer as we participated in the Festival Parade to promote our school to the community.

Advocacy and Decision-Making – In order to include parents, families and caregivers as partners in decisions that affect them and their children, we have The Point Parent Pride Group that meets once a month. The goal and mission of the Parent Group is to provide the necessary support to help make and maintain a better school for their child. The Parent Group meets once a month and parents are notified in advance via newsletters and telephone calls. The meetings are held consistently every third Tuesday at 6:00 p.m. Parents have offered to serve as officers. In the meetings parents discuss and plan community events and fund raisers. The Point Parent Group also serves as a support group where parents can share ideas, skills and network. As a shareholder in their child’s education, parents have the opportunity to participate in the hiring process of teachers. Parents are allowed to interview potential candidates.

Community Collaboration – We collaborate with local churches and business to provide resources to strengthen student learning by providing the best educational experience for each student and parent. The local churches have and continue to donate school supplies, books and snacks for field trips. Local business owners have donated items such as an industrial commercial cooler for use in the cafeteria. Our school board members, who consist of business leaders and owners, politicians, parents of students and retired school principals partner that provide resources for community events, donations and information on local, state and federal policies.

Student Health – We promote health awareness among families by addressing the need for health programs and student health services. We collaborate with the School Nutrition Program to provide healthy meals to our students. Parents are provided with a monthly school menu to ensure their child is receiving meals that promote good eating habits and a source of energy that allows them to learn. We have daily exercises and wellness breaks to provide students with a balance of activities and rest.