



# Omaha High School

## 2017-2018 School Parent and Family Engagement Plan

Omaha School District  
Grades 7-12  
Parent and Family Engagement District Coordinator: Laura King  
Parent and Family Engagement High School Coordinator: Laura King  
Title I Schoolwide  
75.97% free and reduced lunch

### **High School Parent & Family Engagement Plan Committee:**

Amanda Green, K-6 Principal & Federal Coordinator  
Patricia Phillips, 7-12 Principal  
Laura King, District Coordinator, Teacher  
Sam Mallett, Parent  
Kendra Watkins, Parent  
Traeger Evans, Parent  
Jenn Hayes, Parent  
Susan Moore, Parent  
Kerri Strobeck, Parent  
Shelly Collins, K-6 Instructional Facilitator  
Pam Keafer, K-6 Interventionist, PTO President, Parent  
Sandy Roberts, Counselor  
Dr. Jacob Sherwood Superintendent

A child's education is a responsibility shared by the school and family during the child's educational experience. To support the mission of Omaha High School to Advance Human Achievement through Education, the school and parents/guardians must work together as knowledgeable partners.

Omaha High School believes that engaging parents/guardians in their children's educational endeavors is essential to improving student achievement and that it should foster and support active parent/guardian involvement in all of its educational endeavors.

### **#1. Omaha School will use various communication strategies used in your school to provide additional information to parents and to increase parent and family engagement in supporting classroom instruction.**

- The school has an established web-site. The website has teacher contact information and calendar of future school activities in which parents are invited and encouraged to attend.  
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Amy Brumley, Eschool Administrator/Cycle Coordinator, 870-426-3366
- The school will email a "weekly parent bulletin" to parents that include school news and a calendar of school activities. The parent bulletin will also be posted on the district's website.  
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Laura King, Parent & Family Engagement Coordinator, 870-426-3366
- The school has School Messenger to call all parents regarding upcoming events, cancellations of events due to bad weather, etc.  
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- Parents can access their child's grades using Eschool.  
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- Teachers will routinely contact parents on an individual basis to communicate about their child's progress.  
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- District information such as the ACSIP Plan, district report card, student handbook, and the Parent Involvement Plan can be accessed from the district's website.  
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Laura King, Parent & Family Engagement Coordinator, 870-426-3366
- Parent Teacher Conferences will be held on September 25th-28th & February 12th-February 15th  
Contact Person:  
Jacob Sherwood, Superintendent, 870-426-3366

**#2. Omaha School will have parent meeting, conferences and activities regularly throughout this year and the dates providing flexible meeting times that you have planned to increase parent and family engagement and build staff and parent capacity to engage in these types of efforts. (Must include the 2 state mandated parent/teacher conferences each year.)**

The proposed meetings listed below will:

- Allow staff to meet with parents individually and discuss the needs of the students.  
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- Be held at various times to accommodate parents.  
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- Inform parents of Annual Title I Report, test scores, student success, principal's report, financial review, and campus building updates  
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Sandy Roberts, Counselor, 870-426-3366  
Shelly Collins, K-6 Instructional Facilitator, 870-426-3366  
Julie Cone, 7-12 Curriculum Coordinator, 870-426-3366
- Encourage parents to engage and participate in student learning, class scheduling, and post-secondary education.  
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- Involve parents in reviewing and revising district/school plans and school events.  
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Open House - Thursday, August 10th @6:00-7:30 p.m.

Senior College Fair - September 14th, 2017

Parent Teacher Conferences - September 25th-28th & February 12th-February 15th

Class Scheduling Conferences - Spring/Summer 2018

PTO Meetings - First Tuesday of each month

Parent & Family Engagement Meetings - September 19th, Winter 2017, Spring 2018.

Theater Night - April 2018

FAM Night - April 2018

FAFSA Night - October 2018

Red Ribbon Week - October 2018

Honor Awards Assembly – May 2018

**#3. Omaha School will provide information to parents about volunteer opportunities (must include state mandated parent training).**

- The school will survey parents at the beginning of year. The survey will provide the school district with a list of volunteers & contact information.  
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- School Events & Volunteer Opportunities will be noted in the weekly “parent bulletin” email and posted on website.  
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- STATE REQUIREMENT – The School will provide instruction to a parent on how to incorporate developmentally appropriate learning activities in the home environment, including without limitation: role play and demonstration by trained volunteer, the use of and access to the Department of Education website tools for parents, assistance with nutritional meal planning and preparation and other strategies or curricula developed or acquired by the school district for at-home parental instruction approved by the Department of Education.  
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Laura King, Parent & Family Engagement Coordinator, 870-426-3366  
Patricia Phillips, 7-12 Principal, 870-426-3366
- STATE REQUIREMENT (Staff Development) The State Board of Education’s Standards for Accreditation of Arkansas Public Schools and School Districts shall require no fewer than two (2) hours of professional development for teachers designed to enhance the understand of effective parental involvement strategies. No fewer than three (3) hours of professional development for administrators designed to enhance understanding of effective parent involvement strategies and the importance of administrative leadership in setting expectations and creating a climate conducive to parental participation.  
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**#4. Omaha School will create a School-Parent-Compact with the involvement of the Parent & Family Engagement committee.**

- School staff, parents, and students will develop a school-parent-student compact. This compact will outline how parents, school staff, and students share the responsibility for improving student academic achievement and the means by which the school and parents will build and develop a partnership to help children achieve the state's high academic standards. All stakeholders will sign the compact.

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**#5. Omaha School will provide opportunities for parents to be involved in the development, implementation and evaluation of the school wide school improvement plan, and the Annual Title I Meeting to engage them in the decision-making processes regarding the school's Title I, Part A Program?**

- The school will involve parents on school improvement planning committees.

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- The school will engage parents in decision making about the allocation of its Title I Part A funds.

Contact Person:

Amanda Green, K-6 Principal, Federal Program Coordinator, 870-426-3366

- STATE REQUIREMENT – The school shall enable the formation of a Parent Teacher Association or organization that will foster parental and community involvement within the school.

Contact Person:

Pam Keafer, Community Involvement Coordinator, PTO President 870-426-3366

- STATE REQUIREMENT – To take advantage of community resources, the school shall attempt to recruit alumni from the school to create an alumni advisory commission to provide advice and guidance for school improvement.

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- The school will hold a Title I Meeting and discuss with parents ideas, concerns, and strategies that will improve the Title I, Part A Program.

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Amanda Green, Federal Programs Coordinator, K-6 Principal, 870-426-3366

**#6. Omaha School will provide resources for parents.**

- STATE REQUIREMENT - The school will distributed Informational packets each year that includes a copy of the school's parental involvement plan, survey for volunteer interests, recommended roles for parents/ teachers/students and school, suggestions of ways parents can become involved in their child's education, parental involvement activities planned for the current school year and information about the system that will be used to allow parents and teachers to communicate (notes, phone calls, e-mail...).

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- STATE REQUIREMENT - To promote and support responsible parenting, the school shall, as funds are available: Purchase parenting books, magazines, and other informative materials regarding responsible parenting through the school library, advertise the current selection, and give parents the opportunity to borrow the materials for review.

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- STATE REQUIREMENT – Include in the school’s policy handbook the school’s process for resolving parental concerns, including how to define a problem, whom to approach first, and how to develop solutions.  
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- STATE REQUIREMENT – The principal of each school in a school district shall designate (1) certified staff member who is willing to serve as a parent facilitator.  
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**#7. Omaha School will engage parents in the evaluation of your parental involvement efforts.**

- The school will engage parents in the annual evaluation of the parental involvement efforts through a survey at the end of the school year. Administrators, teachers, and the Parent & Family Engagement Committee will determine the effectiveness of the parent and family engagement plan and make changes if desired. While collecting evidence about satisfaction with the program and the school’s efforts to increase parental involvement will be a part of the evaluation, the survey will also collect specific information on the (1) growth in number of parents participating in workshops and meetings; (2) specific needs of parents; (3) effectiveness of specific strategies; and (4) engagement of parents in activities to support student academic growth.  
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**#8. Omaha School will use the parent interest surveys to select, plan and implement parental and family engagement activities that will be offered throughout the year.**

- The school will ask parents to fill out a parent interest survey at the beginning of each school year to get information from parents concerning the activities they feel will be most beneficial in the efforts to support their child academically.  
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- The school will use the results of the parent interest survey will be used to plan the parental involvement activities for the following year.  
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- The school will evaluate the activities that were suggested by the parents at the end of the year as part of the annual parental involvement plan evaluation.  
  
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- State Requirement - Sponsor seminars to inform the parents of high school students about how to be involved in the decisions affecting course selection, career planning, and preparation for postsecondary opportunities.

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**#9. Omaha School will plan the Annual Title I Meeting.**

- Omaha Annual Title I Meeting will be held October 9th, 2017. A meeting agenda, the sign-in sheet and the minutes for this meeting will be generated separately from any other events and kept on file in the school's office. It will be held at a time that is accommodating to parent and conducted separately to ensure there is ample time to discuss testing data, school curriculum, and other Title I components.

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