

Whiteside 2026-27 Parent and Family Engagement Policy

Whiteside School District, as a recipient of Title I funds, has jointly developed with parents and family members a Parent and Family Engagement Policy that is incorporated into the Consolidated District Plan. The district is committed to meaningful parent and family involvement to support student academic achievement.

The district engages parents and family members in the development and review of the grant plans and school improvement efforts during Parent-Teacher Conferences, parent organization meetings, surveys, and family engagement events. Input from parents is used to inform district decisions and program planning.

The district provides coordination, technical assistance, and support to schools to build capacity for effective parent and family engagement. This includes offering family engagement activities, providing staff development, and utilizing community resources when appropriate.

Parent and family engagement strategies are coordinated across federal, state, and local programs, including Title I, Title II, Title IV, and IDEA, to ensure consistency and alignment with student needs.

The district conducts an annual evaluation of the effectiveness of this policy by reviewing participation data, survey feedback, and stakeholder input. Barriers to participation are identified, and results are used to revise the policy and implement evidence-based strategies to improve family engagement.

Parents are encouraged to participate in school activities and decision-making processes. The district utilizes parent organizations and other feedback structures to ensure representation of family needs in the development and review of this policy.

The district ensures ongoing communication with families through the district website, social media, the Skyward student information system, and the monthly district newsletter. Information is provided in English and Spanish to ensure equitable access.

The district certifies that it will comply with all Title I Parent and Family Engagement requirements.