



**Boys Ranch ISD Parent and Family Engagement Policy**  
**ESSA Section 1116**  
**2019-2020**

Boys Ranch ISD will reach out to all parents and family members and implement programs, activities, and procedures for the involvement of parents and family members in programs consistent with the requirements of ESSA Section 1116. Such programs, activities, and procedures shall be planned and implemented with meaningful consultation with parents of participating children.

Boys Ranch ISD will conduct annual meetings, on different days and at different times, to reach out and engage parents in conversations regarding Title I programs.

Boys Ranch ISD receives Title I, Part A funds. Our goal is to plan and implement effective parent and family involvement activities to improve student academic achievement and school performance. Therefore, Boys Ranch ISD will jointly develop, approve and distribute to parents and family members of participating children, a written parent and family engagement policy.

- The policy shall be incorporated into the local educational agency's plan developed under section 1112 (District Improvement Plan, DIP),
- The policy will establish the LEA's expectations and objectives for meaningful parent and family involvement.

Boys Ranch ISD typically distributes and explains the PFE policy during the fall meeting(s) at this time feedback from parents and community members on the current policy is encouraged. The PFE policy is available on the district website. The PFE policy is usually revised during the spring each year.

Boys Ranch ISD will: involve parents and family members in jointly developing the local educational agency plan (DIP) under section 1112, and the development of support and improvement plans under paragraphs (1) and (2) of section 1111(d).

Boys Ranch ISD convenes the district committee to review the DIP and conduct a needs assessment. Parents and community members are members of this committee.

Boys Ranch ISD will provide the coordination, technical assistance, and other support necessary to assist and build the capacity of all participating schools within the local educational agency, in planning and implementing effective parent and family involvement activities to improve student academic achievement and school performance, which may include meaningful consultation with employers, business leaders, and philanthropic organizations, or individuals with expertise in effectively engaging parents and family members in education.

Boys Ranch ISD sends a newsletter on a monthly basis to parents and community members containing information and strategies to work with students outside of the school setting supporting the improvement of academic achievement and school performance.

Boys Ranch ISD will coordinate and integrate parent and family engagement strategies under Title I, Part A, to the extent feasible and appropriate, with other relevant Federal, State, and local laws and programs, including public preschool programs, and conduct other activities, such as parent resource centers, that encourage and support parents in more fully participating in the education of their children.

Boys Ranch ISD coordinates PFE among all student programs.

Boys Ranch ISD will conduct, with the meaningful involvement of parents and family members, an annual evaluation of the content and effectiveness of the parent and family engagement policy in improving the academic quality of all schools served under this part, including identifying—

- barriers to greater participation by parents in activities authorized by this section (with particular attention to parents who are economically disadvantaged, are disabled, have limited English proficiency, have limited literacy, or are of any racial or ethnic minority background);
- the needs of parents and family members to assist with the learning of their children, including engaging with school personnel and teachers; and
- strategies to support successful school and family interactions;

Boys Ranch ISD conducts an annual evaluation of the PFE. Parents are asked to participate in the process through methods identified by parents including face-to-face meetings and collaborative efforts through electronic means.

Boys Ranch ISD will use the findings of such evaluation to design evidence-based strategies for more effective parental involvement, and to revise, if necessary, the parent and family engagement policies;

Boys Ranch ISD will involve parents in the activities of the schools served under this part, which may include establishing a parent advisory board comprised of a sufficient number and representative group of parents or family members served by the local educational agency to adequately represent the needs of the population for the purposes of developing, revising, and reviewing the parent and family engagement policy and provide such other reasonable support for parental involvement activities under this section as parents may request.

To ensure effective involvement of parents and to support a partnership among the school involved, parents, and the community to improve student academic achievement, Boys Ranch ISD shall:

- (i) providing assistance to parents of children served by the local educational agency, as appropriate, in understanding such topics as the challenging State academic standards, State and local academic assessments, the requirements of the parent and family engagement program, and how to monitor a child's progress and work with educators to improve the achievement of their children;
- (ii) providing materials and training to help parents to work with their children to improve their children's achievement, such as literacy training and using technology (including education about the harms of copyright piracy), as appropriate, to foster parental involvement;
- (iii) educating teachers, specialized instructional support personnel, principals, and other school leaders, and other staff, with the assistance of parents, in the value and utility of contributions of parents, and in how to reach out to, communicate with, and work with parents as equal partners, implement and coordinate parent programs, and build ties between parents and the school;
- (iv) ensuring that information related to school and parent programs, meetings, and other activities is sent to the parents of participating children in a format and, to the extent practicable, in a language the parents can understand.

Boys Ranch ISD campuses conducted open houses, meet the teacher events, home visits, team emails to report on student progress, regular communication with the teams, parent teacher conferences, and monthly newsletters. The translation policy was disseminated and the parent's right to know letter was made available.