

# **Nemo Vista High School**

## **School, Parent and Family Engagement Plan**

### **2019-2020**

The administration, staff, and school board of Nemo Vista High School are committed to providing a quality education for all students and to recognizing the essential role of parents and the value of their input in their child's educational experience. At NVMS, we realize that parents are the first teachers a child encounters, and we wish to capitalize on that valuable resource. The mission of our School, Parent and Family Engagement Plan is to describe programs and practices in place at Nemo Vista High School that create and support active parental involvement and meet the needs of students and their families. Nemo Vista encourages parents to become actively involved in their child's education. To achieve these goals, Nemo Vista High School will work to:

1. Provide parents with the opportunity to have input in the School, Parent and Family Engagement Plan at their child's school.
  - Provide parents with a copy of the School, Parent and Family Engagement Plan via the school registration packet, the student handbook, and Open House.
  - Provide parents with opportunities to give input and suggestions for revision of the school plan through CAPS meetings and the general meeting during open house.
  - Provide Parents with a copy of the district's School, Parent and Family Engagement Plan.
  - Have parent representatives on SIP committees and other school committees.
  - Yearly parental surveys will be distributed and analyzed to assess the plan and public response to it.
  
2. Explain to parents the State's content and achievement standards, state and local student assessments, how the district's curriculum is aligned with the assessments, and how parents can work with the school to improve their child's academic achievement.
  - Provide Act Aspire meetings which help parents understand the State's achievement tests and how they align with NVHS's curriculum.
  - Provide parents with the opportunity to meet with the principal, counselor, and teachers to discuss their child's standardized test scores and the implications for the child's program of study.
  - Provide parents with opportunities to attend informational meetings to learn about curriculum, assessment, and expectations.
  
3. Keep parents informed about parental engagement programs, meetings, and other activities they could be involved in.

- Notify parents of important events and activities through memos from the office and newsletters from the parent liaison.
  - Notify parents through PTO meetings.
  - Notify parents through the district's marquee.
  - Notify parents through the Petit Jean Country Headlight.
  - Notify parents through KVOM radio station.
  - Notify parents through the district website and teacher webpages.
  - Make phone or face to face contact with parents as needed.
4. Provide parents with the materials and training that they need to be more able to help their child achieve.
    - Provide eSchool (On-line grade program) training for parents.
    - Provide website information for parents.
    - Provide instructional materials for parents to check out to use with their child
    - A parent center is available with information for parents.
    - Hold a financial aid workshop for parents of seniors.
  5. Educate school staff, with the assistance of parents, in ways to work and communicate with parents and to know how to implement parent engagement programs that will promote positive partnerships between the school and parents.
    - Teachers will communicate with parents by email if requested.
    - Teachers will communicate with parents if needed by texting and/or phone calls.
    - Teachers and administrators will receive training in Parent Engagement.
  6. Find ways to eliminate barriers that work to keep parents from being involved in their child's education.
    - TWO (2) Parent/Teacher Conferences will be scheduled throughout the school year.
    - Alternative times and dates for parent/teacher conferences will be individually scheduled with parents unable to attend the regularly scheduled conferences.
    - Phone conferences will be held with parents throughout the year.
    - Students will be assigned to CAPS advisors who will meet with them and their parents.
  7. Find and modify other successful parent and community engagement programs to suit the needs of our school.
    - Effort will be taken to utilize parent and community volunteers whenever possible.
  8. Train parents to enhance and promote the involvement of other parents.
  9. Provide sufficient support for other reasonable parental engagement activities that parents may request.