

Ledyard Charter School

Parent and Family Engagement Policy

Introduction:

Ledyard Charter School believes that parents and families play an essential role in supporting student achievement and promoting positive school culture. We recognize that strong partnerships between schools, families, and communities can help to create a more equitable and inclusive learning environment. The purpose of this Parent and Family Engagement Policy is to provide a framework for effective engagement strategies that support student learning and promote family involvement in our school community.

Policy Statement:

Ledyard Charter School is committed to providing a welcoming and inclusive school culture that actively engages families in the education of their children. We believe that effective parent and family engagement is critical to improving academic achievement, increasing student attendance, and promoting positive behavior. To achieve these goals, we will:

1. Communicate regularly with families: We will communicate regularly with families through newsletters, school websites, social media, and other means to share information about school policies, events, and student progress.
2. Provide opportunities for involvement: We will provide opportunities for parents and families to be involved in school activities, events, and decision-making processes. We will actively seek input from families on matters related to school policies and practices.
3. Support learning at home: We will provide resources and support to families to help them engage in their child's learning at home. This might include workshops on homework strategies, parent-teacher conferences, and access to online learning resources.
4. Create a welcoming school culture: We will create a welcoming school culture that promotes a sense of belonging and supports diverse families. We will work to eliminate barriers to participation and engagement, such as language barriers, cultural differences, and transportation issues.
5. Evaluate and improve our engagement practices: We will regularly evaluate our engagement practices and seek feedback from families to identify areas for improvement. We will use this feedback to make changes to our policies and practices to better support parent and family engagement.

Responsibilities:

Ledyard Charter School recognizes that effective parent and family engagement requires the participation and support of all stakeholders. Our school community will work together to fulfill the following responsibilities:

School Staff:

- Create a welcoming and inclusive school culture that promotes parent and family engagement.

- Communicate regularly with families to provide updates on student progress, school policies, and events.
- Provide opportunities for families to be involved in school activities and decision-making processes.
- Provide resources and support to families to help them engage in their child's learning at home.
- Regularly evaluate and improve our engagement practices.

Parents and Families:

- Communicate regularly with the school to stay informed about school policies, events, and student progress.
- Attend parent-teacher conferences and other school events to learn more about their child's education.
- Participate in school activities and decision-making processes.
- Support their child's learning at home.
- Provide feedback on school policies and practices to help improve engagement.

Conclusion:

Ledyard Charter School is committed to promoting parent and family engagement as an essential component of our school community. We will work together to create a welcoming and inclusive learning environment that supports student achievement and positive school culture.