# School Parent Involvement Plan

Laporte School

Title I Parent Involvement Plan

2016-2017

Laporte School is committed to the goal of providing quality education for every child in this district. To this end, we want to establish partnerships with parents and with the community. Everyone gains if school and home work together to promote high achievement by our children. Neither home nor school can do the job alone. Parents play an extremely important role as children’s first teachers. Their support for their children and for the school is critical to their children’s success at every step along the way. Laporte School supports these beliefs through encouraging parents, families, and community members to get involved with our school. Our goal is a school and home partnership to help all students succeed.

## Part I. School Parent Involvement Plan Required Components

1.Laporte School will jointly develop/revise with parents the school parent involvement plan and distribute it to parents of participating children and make available the parent involvement plan to the local community.

* Activity/Activities…surveys throughout 2015-2016 year were compiled to give ideas, directions and to address concerns in the new Parent Plan. The plan will be available for review before school begins and during open house. The plan will be available on the school website.
* Date/Dates… surveys were given 3 times in the 2015-2016 year and results compiled. Title I team reviewed and made suggestions for the 16-17 plan in Spring of 2016. Plan will be available for review during open house in September, 2016.
* Contact Person and Phone Number….Kim Goodwin 224-2288

* Laporte School will convene an annual meeting, at a convenient time, to which all parents of participating children shall be invited and encouraged to attend, to inform parents of their school’s participation under this part and to explain the requirements of this part, and the right of the parents to be involved.
* Activity/Activities…we will hold an annual meeting during our Fall Open House in September, 2016. At this meeting, we will go over the Parent Plan and review the school’s participation/programs available.
* Contact Person and Phone Number…Kim Goodwin 224 2288

1. Laporte School will offer a number of flexible meeting options, such as meetings in the morning or evening, and may provide, with funds provided under this part, transportation, child care, or home visits, as such services relate to parental involvement.

* Activity/Activities…Meetings for parents, specifically for parents of early childhood and primary students, held Thursday mornings with child care provided. These meetings cover a variety of topics and illicit ideas and concerns regarding curriculum and services for students.
* Date/Dates…varies depending on the week. Some meetings on Thursday mornings and some on Monday evenings.
* Contact Person and Phone Number…Diane 224 2288

1. Laporte School will involve parents, in an organized, ongoing, and timely way, in the planning, review, and improvement of the school plan under section 1112, schoolwide under section 1114 and the process of the school review and improvement under section 1116.

* Activity/Activities… surveys throughout 2015-2016 year were compiled to give ideas, directions and to address concerns in the new Parent Plan. All parents had input to questions regarding programs, services and interventions. The surveys were given 3 times during the year and the results were used to write the 16-17 Parent Plan.
* Date/Dates…ongoing throughout the school year
* Contact Person and Phone Number…Kim Goodwin 224 2288

1. Laporte School will provide parents of participating children –
2. timely information about programs under this part;
3. a description and explanation of the curriculum in use at the school, the forms of academic assessment used to measure student progress, and the proficiency levels students are expected to meet; and
4. if requested by parents, opportunities for regular meetings to formulate suggestions and to participate, as appropriate, in decisions relating to the education of their children, and respond to any such suggestions as soon as practically possible.

* Activity/Activities…variety of opportunities to distribute information is used:
* Letters sent home with data results, graphs and explanations
* Open house to review, ask questions regarding new curriculum
* Information given during conferences pertaining to their student and test results
* Standard checklists
* Date/Dates…ongoing throughout school year
* Contact Person and Phone Number…Kim Goodwin 224 2288

1. If the schoolwide program plan is not satisfactory to the parents of participating children, submit any parent comments on the plan when the school makes the plan available to the local educational agency.

## Part II. Required Shared Responsibilities for High Student Academic Achievement

As a component of the school-level parent involvement plan, each school shall jointly develop with parents for all children served under this part a school-parent compact that outlines how parents, the entire school staff, and students will share the responsibility for improved student academic achievement.

* Conduct a parent/teacher conference in elementary schools, annually (at a minimum), during which the compact shall be discussed as the compact relates to the individual child’s achievement;
* Provide frequent reports to parents on their children’s progress; and
* Provide parents with reasonable access to staff, opportunities to volunteer and participate in their child’s class and observation of classroom activities.
* Activity/Activities…parent/student conferences held three per year. Classroom requests for parent volunteers. Family nights for reading and math. Synergy system for parents to check student progress online.
* Date/Dates…Conferences in Oct, Jan and April. Online system of communication/grades/behavior and progress updated weekly.

## Part III. Building Capacity Requirements for Involvement

To ensure effective involvement of parents and to support a partnership among the school involved, parents, and the community to improve student academic achievement, each school and local educational agency assisted under this part –

1. Shall provide assistance to the parents of children served by the school or local educational agency, as appropriate, in understanding such topics as the state’s academic content standards and State student academic achievement standards, state and local academic assessments, the requirements of this part, and how to monitor a child’s progress and work with educators to improve the achievement of their children.

* Activity/Activities…
* Letters sent home with explanations and graphs regarding state academic information
* Parent/Teacher/Student conferences
* Open Houses
* Involvement on the Parent Involvement Committee
* ISD#306 Website; Principal page with tips for understanding and ways to support student’s educational journey
* Parent-Teacher Compact ( handbook, website and conferences).
* Monthly school newsletter

b. Shall provide materials and training to help parents to work with their children to improve their children’s achievement, such as literacy training and using technology, as appropriate, to foster parental involvement.

* Activity/Activities…
* Inviting parents to professional development events
* Providing information at a beginning of the school year parent/teacher conference
* Providing appropriate hand-outs
* District website ([www.laporte.k12.mn.us](http://www.laporte.k12.mn.us))
* Participation in Parent Involvement Committee meetings
* Available computers and training at open house and conferences

c. Shall educate teachers, pupil services personnel, principals, 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.

* Activity/Activities…
* Providing professional development opportunities related to Parent/Family Involvement
* Family Fun Night
* Professional literature and research
* Update staff and families on revised Parent Involvement Plan
* Update staff and families on Parent Compact
* Involvement on the Parent Involvement Committee
* Parent meetings morning or afternoon on various topics

d. Shall, to the extent feasible and appropriate, coordinate and integrate parent involvement programs and activities with Head Start, Reading First, Early Reading First, Even Start, the Home Instruction Programs for Preschool Youngsters, the Parents as Teachers Program, and public preschool and other 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.

* Activity/Activities…
* Include pre-kindergarten staff on the Laporte Elementary Site Team
* Include pre-kindergarten staff on the Parent Involvement Committee
* Facilitating IEP transition meetings
* Collaboration with Early Childhood Programs
* Parent support groups and activities during school hours

e. Shall ensure 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 parents can understand.

* Activity/Activities…
* Conducting three Parent/Teacher conferences per year
* Inviting parents into classrooms for presentations and/or to assist and work with children on learning activities
* Ensure that school activities requiring or promoting parental involvement accommodate parents of ELL students and disabled students
* District Calendar of events
* Newspaper/newsletters
* Website
* Open House
* Family events
* Instant Alert

f. Shall provide such other reasonable support for parental involvement activities under this as parents may request.

* Activity/Activities…based on surveys and input from parents and staff, additional activities may be organized.

g. May involve parents in the development of training for teachers, principals, and other educators to improve the effectiveness of such training.

h. May provide necessary literacy training from funds received under this part if the district has exhausted all other reasonably available sources of funding for such training.

i. May pay reasonable and necessary expenses associated with local parental involvement activities, including transportation and child care costs, to enable parents to participate in school-related meetings and training sessions.

j. May train parents to enhance the involvement of other parents.

k. May arrange school meetings at a variety of times, or conduct in-home conferences between teachers or other educators, who work directly with participating children, with parents who are unable to attend such conferences at school, in order to maximize parental involvement and participation.

l. May adopt and implement model approaches to improving parental involvement.

m. May establish a district parent advisory council to provide advice on all matters related to parental involvement in programs supported under this section.

n. May develop appropriate roles for community-based organizations and businesses in parent involvement activities.

## Part IV. Accessibility Requirements

In carrying out the parental involvement requirements of this part, districts and schools, to the extent practicable, shall provide full opportunities for the participation of parents of children with limited English proficiency, parents of children with disabilities, and parents of migratory children, including providing information and school reports in a format and, to the extent practicable, in a language such parents can understand.

## Part V. Adoption

This Laporte School Parental Involvement Plan has been developed jointly with, and agreed on with, parents of children participating in Title I program, as evidenced by meeting minutes.

The Parent Involvement Plan was developed by Laporte School on August 1, 2016 and will be in effect for the period of 2016-2017. The school will distribute this Parent Involvement Plan to all parents of participating Title I children and make it available to the community on or before August 30, 2016.

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Signature of Title I Authorized Representative

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