



School-Parent Involvement Policy

Homecroft Elementary School recognizes that educating students and helping them achieve success is a shared responsibility between the school and parents. Schools and parents must work together to ensure that students develop the necessary skills for success in life.

The stakeholders in the process of educating students (the school, the parents and the community) can each contribute unique individual and cultural aspects to forge partnerships that are meaningful and productive. Assistance will be provided for parents to enable them to better understand the Indiana academic content standards and the student academic achievement standards. This will enable the parents to monitor their child's progress and work with the teacher to improve the achievement of their children.

The school supports the development, implementation and continuing evaluation of activities that promote:

- Communication between parents and schools
- Recognition of the primary roles of parents and parenting
- Successful student learning and skill development
- Parent and their contributions as welcomed assets
- Parents as vital members of the decision-making body of schools
- Community partnerships that expand horizons for students.

We have set the following parent policy guidelines for maximizing parental involvement at Homecroft Elementary School:

Policy Guidelines

- Near the beginning of each school year an Annual Meeting will be called
- At the Annual Meeting the requirements and the rights of the parents to be involved will be explained
- We will offer a flexible schedule of meetings (e.g. mornings and evenings)
- Through community meetings, PTA meetings, parent surveys and newsletters home, we will involve parents in an organized, ongoing, and timely way to plan, review and improve programs such as:
 - Parental involvement policy
 - School-wide policy

We will provide the parent of participating students with:

- Timely information

- Description and explanation of curriculum to be used
- The forms of academic assessment used to measure student progress
- Proficiency levels that students are expected to meet
- Opportunities for decision-making related to the education of their children
- Provide materials and training detailing how parents can improve their child's achievement

Working to build communication between staff/parent/community is essential to the success of our students. Each year the administration will adhere to the following guidelines:

- Educate school staff on how to build ties between home and school
- Coordinate and integrate, as appropriate, parent involvement with public preschool programs
- Ensure, to the extent possible, that information sent home is in a language and form that parents can understand
- Develop appropriate roles for community-based organizations and businesses and encourage partnerships with elementary, middle and high schools
- Respond to any parent suggestions as soon as practically possible
- Provide parents with a School-Parent Compact, which is a written agreement outlining what schools and parents each agree to do to help students achieve
- Provide such other reasonable support for parental involvement at parents' request

Homecroft Elementary School's parent involvement programs for 2018-19 are as follows:

General Meeting/Event (Dates/Times MAY change)

Monday	July 22 nd , 2019	6:30-7:30	Title I Back to School Night
Friday	Aug. 2 nd , 2019	7:00-10:30	SUMC/PTA Festival and Outdoor Movie Night
Tuesday	Aug. 13 th , 2019	6:30-7:30	EL Night for English Learners and their Families
Week	Sept. 16 th -20 th , 2019	Lunches	Grandparent Week/Book Fair
Friday	Sept. 27 th , 2019	All-day	Homecroft Hustle
Thursday	November 7 th , 2019	6:30-8:00	Parent Conferences with 5 families
Saturday	December 7 th , 2019	9:00-11:00	Breakfast with Santa
Tuesday	December 17 th , 2019	6:30-7:30	Winter Music Program
Thursday	January 23 rd , 2020	6:30-8:00	PTA Bingo Night
Thursday	February 20 th , 2020	5:00-7:00	Invention Convention/Science Fair Open- House
Week	April 13 th -17 th , 2020	Lunches	Parent Week/Book Fair
Week	May 4 th -8 th , 2020	All Day	Teacher Appreciation Week
Tuesday	May 12 th , 2020	6:30-7:30	1 st /2 nd Grade Family Night
Tuesday	May 19 th , 2020	6:30-7:30	5 th Grade Graduation Night
Wednesday	May 20 th , 2020	9:45-12:00	Awards Day for 1 st -4 th Grades

Skating Party Dates:

Thursday, September 5 th	6:00-8:00
Thursday, October 24 th	6:00-8:00
Thursday, February 6 th	6:30-8:30

School Party Dates:

Thursday, Oct. 31 st -Fall Party	3:00-3:55
Thursday, Dec. 19 th -Winter Party	3:00-3:55
Friday, Feb. 14 th -Valentine's	3:00-3:55

Board Meeting Dates: (All Board Meetings start at 6:30)

July 30 th	Jan. 7 th
Sep. 3 rd	Feb. 4 th
Oct. 1 st	Mar. 3 rd

Restaurant Nights

To Be Announced

Nov. 5th
Dec. 3rd

Apr. 7th
Apr. 28th