

St. Dominic School  
**Parent Involvement Policy**  
Title I Program

**RATIONALE and PURPOSE**

We recognize that parents are a child's first and foremost teachers and that schools serve to enhance and continue the education process that begins at home. Parent involvement is essential in order for our children to obtain the best possible education. St. Dominic School is committed to clear and continuing communication with parents, providing a welcoming atmosphere for parents, and creating meaningful opportunities for parents to become more involved in their child's academic success.

**IMPLEMENTATION**

St. Dominic School's Parent Involvement Policy will be implemented in the following ways:

- Parents will be invited to an annual meeting where they will be given an opportunity to learn about the Title I Reading Program at St. Dominic School and to ask questions about the program.
- Parents will be encouraged to attend other flexible meetings where training and materials will be available to them. Parents with disabilities or parents with language barriers will be given the opportunity for full participation. Parents will be asked to offer their expertise and suggestions. The goal for these meetings will be to help parents become full and active partners in the education of their child.
- A School-Parent Learning Compact, designed by school staff and parents of participating Title I students, will describe how parents, the entire school staff, and the students share in the responsibility for student achievement.
- Parents will be encouraged to attend Parent-Teacher-Student conferences. Conferences will be scheduled at convenient times for parents whenever possible.
- Outreach to parents will be conducted through the use of available faculty, staff, phone calls, emails, and written communications sent home with children. Parents with a limited understanding of English will be given assistance as needed.
- Parents will receive useful information through periodic newsletters and suggestions for skill-building at home.
- Parents will be assisted in locating community resources as needed.
- Needs assessment and evaluation for the purpose of planning, reviewing programs and improving parent involvement will be conducted on an annual basis.