

## Flour Bluff Early Childhood Center Family Engagement Plan 2023-2024

Flour Bluff Early Childhood recognizes the importance of effective school and family partnerships that are child centered as this is critical in students' learning and success in school.

The purpose of the ECC family engagement plan is to achieve and maintain high levels of family involvement by providing beneficial opportunities and positive interactions that in turn, create a positive family perspective towards education.

- Facilitating family-to-family support to create a foundation for collaboration of mutual partners and promote a culture of learning that is student-centered, age-appropriate and family-drive. Strategies include activities such as Open House, PTO Meetings, Parent Conferences, and quarterly family engagement activities.
- Establish a network of community resources using multiple strategies that ensure opportunities for continued partnerships in events that support the campus to include activities such as Homecoming Parades, Community ECC Trunk or Treat, Teacher Appreciation, and designated appreciation weeks/months to include April's Month of the Military Child. Utilize community resources to fill our "ECC Foodbank" that in turn gives a weekend snack pack to students in need on a weekly basis.
- Increase family participation in decision-making that supports the families in advocating
  for themselves and their children. Provide opportunities for family input through surveys
  and attending our SBDM meetings. Increase family participation by supporting our
  Parent Liaison in family activities that directly impact our campus to include participation
  in Site-based decision-making committees. Increase family participation by utilizing
  multiple forms of newsletters in our families' native languages.
- Equipping families with tools to enhance and extend learning by offering family nights that are focused on the content their students are learning to include: Fall Family Harvest of Learning, Science Fair, and Math and Science Night. Providing parents opportunities to enhance their learning through parent teacher conferences scheduled quarterly.
- Developing staff skills in evidence-based practices that support families in meeting their children's learning benchmarks by providing weekly professional collaboration with teaching teams with a campus curriculum supervisor. Meeting quarterly with staff on strategies to reach out to parents to work with them as equal partners.
- Evaluating family engagement efforts and using evaluations for continuous improvement using the program review and parent and community surveys. Utilizing PTO as an avenue to solicit feedback for continuous improvement and sharing the efforts at each site-based decision-making committee meeting. End of year program evaluation to evaluate the calendar of events and opportunities provided to families. Providing support and engagement to our Military families and Military connected students that have permission utilizing our Military Liaison.