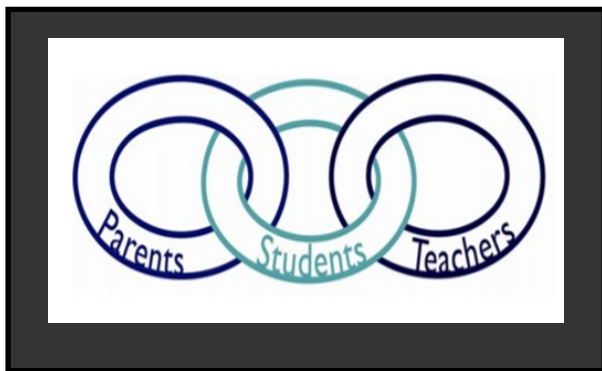




Tomah Area School District Title I Parent & Family Engagement Plan

It is the policy of the Tomah Area School District Title I program to encourage active participation of parents and those in the role of parents as required in Title I. This policy includes a commitment to strengthen partnerships with parents/families, schools and community organizations. To accomplish this goal our schools involve parents in the continuous improvement of the parent and family engagement plan. This will be achieved through the following types of involvement activities:

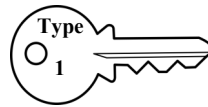
- Parent and family engagement nights
- APPT/Open House
- Parent Advisory Board
- Parent Teacher Conferences
- Surveys



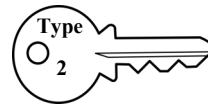
2022-2023 GOAL:

Title I will send out tips and reading strategies monthly to parents. This will allow parents to engage and interact with their children to enhance their reading time at home.

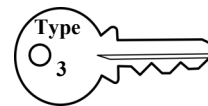
The Keys To Successful School, Family, and Community Partnerships Epstein's Six Types of Involvement



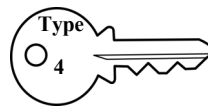
Parenting: Assist families in understanding child and adolescent development and in setting home conditions that support children as students at each grade level. Assist school in understanding families.



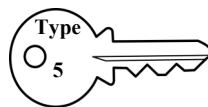
Communicating: Communicate with families about school programs through effective school-to-home and home-to-school communications.



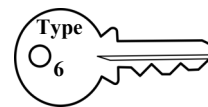
Volunteering: Improve recruitment, training, and schedules to involve families as volunteers and audiences at the school and in others locations to support students and school programs.



Learning at Home: Involve families with their children in learning at home, including homework, other curriculum-related activities, and individual course and program decisions.



Decision Making: Include families as participants in school decisions, governances and advocacy through the PTO, school councils, committees, action teams, and other parent organizations.



Collaborating with the Community: Coordinate community resources and services for students, families, and the school with businesses, agencies, and other groups, and provide services to community.

The Tomah Area School District believes that engaging parents in the educational process is vital to student academic success. A student's education is a responsibility shared by the school and the family. Therefore, the school district will provide parent engagement activities as a cohesive partnership in educating students.

Lemonweir Elementary School

Parent & Family Engagement Plan

2022-2023 School Year

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What is Title 1?

Title I is a national federal assistance program for schools. This program helps students obtain a quality education to meet and exceed academic standards. A school-wide program serves all students in eligible schools. A targeted assistance school serves only students who meet specific criteria.

Schools in the Tomah District that qualify for school-wide Title I funding include: Miller, Lemonweir, Warrens, Wyeville, Camp Douglas and Oakdale. Queen of the Apostles and St. Paul's Lutheran schools receive targeted-assistance. Identified students receive academic remediation through the Title I program following the RtI (Response to Intervention) model. A school-wide Title I program allows eligible schools to use Title I funds to provide for the following:

- Small group instruction
- Special instructional spaces and equipment
- Instruction by highly qualified teachers
- Extra time that students need for teaching the skills
- Additional teaching materials that supplement regular instruction.
- Opportunities for professional development
- Opportunities for family involvement

School Plan for Shared Student Achievement

What is it? This is a plan that describes how Lemonweir Elementary will provide opportunities to improve family engagement to support student learning. Lemonweir Elementary values the contributions and involvement of parents and family members to establish an equal partnership for the common goal of improving student achievement. This plan describes the different ways that we will support family engagement and how parents can help plan and participate in activities and events to promote student learning at school and at home.

How is it being revised? Lemonweir Elementary and the Tomah Area School District is inviting all parents to attend the Parent Advisory Board meetings to revise the parent and family engagement plans, as well as the school wide plan, our school-parent compact, and family engagement budget. Parent input and comments regarding this plan are welcome during the school year. The plan is posted on our school website at: <https://tomah.education>. We also distribute an annual survey online to ask parents for their suggestions regarding the plan. Parents and family members can also give feedback during several parent meetings and activities throughout the school year.

Who is it for? All students participating in Title I, Part A program, and their families, are encouraged and invited to fully participate in the opportunities described in this plan. TASD will provide full opportunity for the participation of parents with limited English, parents with disabilities and parent of migratory children.

Where is it available? At the beginning of the year, the plan will be sent home to parents with each student. It is also available on the TASD website at <https://tomah.education> and hard copies are also available at the front entrance of each school.



School-Family Compact

All teachers, parents, and students will be asked to sign a compact. The compact is an agreement between the parents, students, and the school to help ensure each child's academic success. By signing the compact, all agree they are going to work together to improve learning. This compact is required by federal Title I guidelines.

Parent Involvement in the Title I Program

A home environment that encourages learning is more important to student achievement than income, education level or socio-economic background. Parents can influence the success of their child in school more than any teacher or federal program. Research shows that how well children do in school depends a great deal upon how much their parents are involved in their education.

You can become more involved by:

- Joining school and local parent groups such as your school's PTO.
- Volunteering at school.
- Attending open house, parent-teacher conferences, school sponsored family events and communicating with your child's teacher.
- Returning all papers including parent surveys and Title I compact.
- Keeping your child's teacher informed about events in your child's life which may affect his/her performance and attendance at school.
- Asking, "How was school today?" and asking it everyday.
- Monitoring take home folder and/or assignment notebook.
- Reading to, or with, your child regularly.

*"At the end of the day, the most overwhelming key to a child's success is the positive involvement of parents."
-Jane D. Hull*

Let's Get Together!

Lemonweir Elementary will host the following events to build the capacity for strong parental involvement to support a partnership among the school, parents, and the community to improve student academic achievement.

Open House/Back to School Night- July 11, 2022

⇒ Lemonweir students and parents are encouraged to meet their teacher, drop off supplies, take school pictures and filled out yearly paperwork.

APTT- Academic Parent Teacher Team

⇒ APTT is a model of family engagement that provides an opportunity for families and teachers to work together as partners to build closer relationships. Parents, along with the teacher set students' goals and discuss expectations.

*TBD

Parent/Teacher Conferences

⇒ Scheduled updates on your child's progress.

*September

*February

Parent Advisory Board Meetings:

⇒ We invite you to an evening of learning and sharing about our Title I program, including our parent and family engagement plan, the school wide plan, the school-family compacts and the parents' requirements.

*Dates to TBD

Cookies for Caregivers (TBA)

⇒ Parents, guardians and family members are invited to cookies and milk and an opportunity to read together.

Lemonweir Literacy Week Celebration-March 2023

⇒ Parents and students are encouraged to join the Lemonweir staff for a full filled week/evening with games, prizes, book give aways, and much more. Parents volunteer are welcome.

Other Parent Opportunities

⇒ Classroom volunteer

⇒ Field Trip Chaperones

⇒ Parent Teacher Organization (PTO)

⇒ Attend Classroom/School celebrations

⇒ Snack volunteer