

# **Accelerated Intermediate Academy School District Family Engagement Plan Pre-K-8<sup>th</sup>**

## **Introduction**

Accelerated Intermediate Academy is dedicated to intensifying student achievement by strengthening educational programs and relationships by allowing parents/guardians, community members and educators to become full partners with AIA.

- AIA will empower families to support the early learning and development of children and by providing families educational opportunities and resources to ensure lifelong success.
- AIA believes that all parents are valuable contributors to achieve student's success.
- AIA strives to maintain high levels of family involvement and participation by providing activities and services to encourage parents to participate and collaborate.

In accordance with the Commissioner's Rule 102.1003 (f), AIA will establish the following family engagement strategies that are based on best practices research to support student learning, achievement and family wellbeing. T

## **Facilitate Family-to-Family Support**

- AIA is committed to create a safe and respectable environment for families. AIA provides various opportunities for families to participate and collaborate where families can learn from each other as individuals and in groups.
- AIA will Provide a safe environment to promote family engagement, considering the different barriers that hinder family involvement. (Open House, Classroom Graduation, Field Day, Grandparent's Day, Donuts with Dad, Muffins with Mom etc.)
- AIA will Assist families in creating goals for their child and help in obtaining those goals.

## **Establish a Network of Community Resources**

AIA has a strong partnership with community agencies and organizations to establish a network of community resources that will greatly benefit the school, the families and the students.

- AIA has a Dental Hygiene Program. This activity is helping children develop healthy habits to care for their teeth while they are young. It emphasizes the importance of oral

hygiene by brushing your teeth, flossing, using mouthwash, and scheduling routine checkups with your dentist.

- AIA encourages participation of families and different community organizations in school events by providing philanthropic assistance.

## **Increase family participation in decision-making**

AIA is dedicated in increasing family participation in decision making to review and provide feedback on our existing educational programs, policies, events and communications to ensure the program is amenable for their needs.

- Families will be given the opportunity to give input on surveys about future programs, surveys about their needs, survey about family engagement, etc.
- Parent Advisory Committee – AIA encourages parents to become part of it where it holds meetings with the parent. Through this, it will elicit feedback on our existing policies and programs. Responses are collected and formulated to create recommendations about the programs and policies.

## **Equip families with tools to enhance and extend learning**

AIA provides various tools for families to enhance and extend learning at home.

- Parents will be provided access to the CLI Engage Platform. This platform provides activities for parents to use at home with their child.
- AIA will facilitate family nights focused on Literacy, Math, and Science.
- Parent Teacher Conference – AIA conducts PTC in Prek – 8<sup>th</sup> to boost family involvement in the classroom and help promote positive outcomes for the teachers, students, and school. It is held to clearly communicate and share academic progress and growth based on classroom observations, testing data, assessments, portfolios, and assignments and to learn from parents or guardians so teachers can be better informed about students' strengths, needs, behaviors, and learning styles.
- Individual family conferences at the end of the first 6 weeks with every Pre-Kindergarten and Kindergarten parent to discuss their child's academic progress.
- Providing all Pre-K parents, a yearly calendar in English and Spanish that provides ideas and activities to do with their child at home to enhances the learning in the classroom.
- Host a back to school workshop providing a wide variety of community services available at the event.

- PAC (Parent Advisory Committee) will provide a variety of different parent activities to increase parent involvement in the campus.
- Class Dojo – AIA provides this platform to send various tools where parents can use to support student’s learning at home.

**Develop staff skills in evidence-based practices that support families in meeting their children’s learning benchmarks**

AIA trains staff to develop skills to support families in meeting their children’s learning benchmarks.

- Pre K Teacher Coaching by Campus Administrator – Through the help of campus administrator, it allows teachers to execute their learning more deeply, frequently, and consistently and it supports teachers to improve their capacity to reflect and apply their learning to their work with students and with other teachers.
- Circle Time Training – This greatly helps the teacher to master the skills the students need to have at the end of the school year and will assist them in planning their lessons anchored to the skills their students need to develop. It also helps them to formulate strategies to achieve targeted class goals.
- District Staff Development – AIA provides various staff development training where teachers are equipped and geared with the current trend in education and to help them improve professionally.

**Evaluate Family Engagement Efforts and Using Evaluations for Continuous Improvement**

AIA monitors family engagement efforts and uses the feedback gathered for continuous improvement.

- Parent Attendance Log in Family Engagement Activities – AIA keeps all attendance sign in sheets by parents in every family engagement activity to check the volume of parent participation.

- Getting Feedback and Survey – AIA uses the feedback from parents and formulate recommendations to incorporate more family engagements activities into existing school’s plans.

AIA deeply values collaboration and participation of parents in different family engagement activities to achieve students’ success.

## **Conclusion**

In conclusion, AIA plans to use this Family Engagement Plan to promote shared responsibility to increase and enhance the collaboration of staff with parents. All efforts will be focused on improving the education of all students in an innovative way that will help them become lifelong learners who will be able to be successful and compete in an ever-changing world.