

**Philadelphia Virtual Academy**  
**Parent and Family Engagement Policy SUMMARY**  
**English**  
**School Year 2023-2024**  
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This is NOT the entire Parent and Family Engagement Policy for this school. It is a summary that is meant to provide the basic information contained in the Policy. If this is in a language other than English, it has been automatically translated by Google Translate and may contain errors. Please reach out to your child's school if you have any questions about the information provided below or to receive the full Parent and Family Engagement Policy.

**How we developed this Policy and our Parent and Family Engagement programs with parent input:**

- PVA will hold annually a Spring Title I Meeting to review and update the Parent and Family Engagement Policy and the Parent-School Compact. This particular document was reviewed and updated on April 26, 2023.
- PVA annually hosts a Winter Title I Meeting during which parents are invited to review and provide feedback on the school plan and budget for the subsequent school year.
- PVA will maintain a School Advisory Council. This meeting was held on February 1, 2023.

**Information about our Annual Title I Parent Meeting:**

PVA will hold its annual Title I Meeting during Back to School Week in September 2023. At this time, the principal or designee will share information about the requirements of Title I part A, parent rights to know, state and local assessments, school curriculum, how to work with educators and to track student progress.

**How you can expect the school to communicate with you about parent and family engagement as well as other important information:**

- PVA holds Parent Conferences during the weeks of report card pick-up. These conferences can be held either in person or virtually. All parents and stakeholders are welcome to participate. Times and dates are posted in our student handbook, on our Monthly School Calendar and discussed in Homeroom/Advisory.
- PVA will hold parent information and input meetings at varying times of day to accommodate parent/family schedules.
- PVA will provide communications about school functions in English as well as languages indicated by parents.

**How we developed the School-Parent Compact with parent input:**

PVA will hold an annual Spring Title I Meeting to review and update the Parent and Family Engagement Policy

**How we share Title I budget information with parents and get parent input into how to spend the 1% Title I Parent Engagement funds:**

*At the Winter Title I Meeting, the use of Title I funds will be shared and input will be solicited from parents as to how to spend any remaining funds allocated for the current year. Parents are surveyed about how they would like the 1% Title I Parent Involvement set aside. This year's meeting was held on February 1, 2023.*

**How we will work with businesses and other community partners to provide resources to families:**

*training if necessary. We have begun a quarterly training program for any parents who desire to learn more about how to properly navigate the systems and programs we use. In addition, the Virtual Office serves as a daily resource where the Teaching Assistants are always available to assist both parents and students on the functions of any aspect of the program on an as-needed basis.*

*PVA will seek out and maintain partnerships with community-based organizations to assist parents with*

**How we will build parents' capacity to support your child's academic success:**

*materials and training to address all the above topics and more. The final day of orientation encompasses a full one-hour parent training and Q&A session in which all the distributed information is discussed and the parents have a chance to get any other lingering questions answered.*

*PVA hosts a series of parent workshops to allow parents to gain a better understanding of the systems being used at our school by our students so that they will be able to better assist them in the role as "Home Coach." These workshops will be parent centric and ran by our staff in order to generate connection and understanding for all the stakeholders involved in the educational development of the school. The first will*

**How we will train school staff with parent input to communicate and work with parents as equal partners:**

*PVA will conduct a PD with staff, in the Fall/Winter, which will focus on communicating and working effectively with parents. The discussion will be informed by parent input solicited via surveys.*

**Other ways we will support parent and family engagement:**

*PVA will provide teachers with reasonable time and support to ensure parents are kept aware of their children's progress and ways the teachers and parents will support the needs of the students.*