



District Title I Family Engagement Plan 2025-26

The Anoka-Hennepin School District School Board believes that education is a shared responsibility of the student, families, school, and the larger Anoka-Hennepin community. Further, the Board recognizes that the academic achievement and success of our students depend on the strength of the partnerships developed among students, families, schools and the community from birth through graduation and beyond.

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Part I. District Expectations

Anoka-Hennepin School District agrees to implement the following requirements [Section 1116 of the Every Student Succeeds Act (ESSA)]:

- Family engagement means the participation of families in regular, two-way, and meaningful communication involving student academic learning and other school activities, to make sure:
 - that families play an integral role in assisting their child's learning
 - that families are encouraged to be actively involved in their child's education in school
 - that families are full partners in their child's education and are included, as appropriate, in decision-making and on advisory committees to assist in the education of their child
- Will use the definition of the term "family" which includes a legal guardian or other person standing in place of a parent (such as a grandparent or a person who is legally responsible for the child's welfare).
- Put in place programs, activities, and procedures that involve families and are planned with meaningful consultation with families of participating children in all Title I funded schools.
- Provide families in Title I funded schools assistance in understanding the family engagement rights of Title I, and to train staff with strategies to help all students succeed.
- Provide materials and training to help families work with their children to improve their children's academic achievement.
- Work with its schools to ensure that the required school-level Family Engagement Plan, informational brochure, and school improvement plan meet Title I requirements
- Will attempt to provide information and school reports required under Section 1111 of ESSA in an understandable, uniform, and accessible format for all families
- Include the district Title I Family Engagement Plan when it submits the Title I plan to the Minnesota Department of Education.

To request the full version of the District Title I Family Engagement Plan, please contact the secretary for State and Federal Programs/Title I at 763-506-1123 or go to <https://www.ahschools.us/domain/772> under Title I. Additional information about Title I can be found: <https://education.mn.gov/MDE/dse/ESEA/parta/> and resources for families can be found: www.ed.gov/birth-grade-12-education/resources-families

Part II. District Family Engagement Plan Required Components
How will families be included in development/revising the family engagement plan and Title I plan?
<p>Activity: The District Family Engagement Plan is shared and feedback is requested through each principal's newsletter and at the individual Title I buildings' annual Title I meetings. Feedback is used to help drive the planning and program initiatives for the current year as well as the following year.</p> <p>Contact: Principal or Title I Building Lead at each Title I funded school</p>
Anoka-Hennepin will, with the assistance of its Title I funded schools, provide assistance to families of children served by the school district or school, as appropriate, in understanding topics such as the following: the state's academic content and achievement standards, the state and local academic assessments including alternate assessments, the requirements of Title I, and how to monitor their child's progress and how to work with educators.
<p>Activities:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Parent-Teacher conferences are held in October and February, at which time the school's informational brochure will be discussed. Conversations include student needs, student progress, and how school and home work together for students to meet MN State Standards • The District Parent Handbook, including the Parents Right to Know, is made available to all families annually. • Each Title I funded school annually hosts a family informational event to learn the purpose and use of Title I funding, grade level expectations/curriculum/assessments/services, and ways they can support learning in and outside of the school. • The Focus Newsletter is sent two times a year to all families residing in the district. <p>Contact Person: Johnna Rohmer-Hirt, Research/Evaluation/Testing johnna.rohmerhirt@ahschools.us</p>
Anoka-Hennepin will involve family members of the children served in Title I schools in decisions about how the 1 percent of the Title I, Part A funds reserved for family engagement is spent and will ensure that not less than 90 percent reserved goes directly to Title I schools.
<p>Activity:</p> <p>Each Title I funded school strategically drafts a Family Engagement Plan outlining the use of Title I funds to provide family engagement events. Events are planned based on the school's improvement strategies, school achievement, and input from families and staff.</p> <p>Dates: Approved by school Parent Advisory Committees (PAC/PTO) in the spring or early fall.</p> <p>Contact: Principal and Title I Building Lead at each Title I funded school</p>
Anoka-Hennepin will coordinate and integrate family engagement programs and other activities, such as parent resource centers, that encourage and support families in more fully participating in the education of their children.
<p>Activity: Volunteer Services</p> <p>Many opportunities for families and communities to contribute time, resources, and talent to boost student learning at each elementary school.</p> <p>Activity: Parent Resource Center (lending library)</p> <p>Adults have access to books and materials to help understand their families, students, and schools, and to develop strategies for problem solving, healthy development, and enjoyment. The library is located at Door 1 of the Anoka-Hennepin School District Educational Services Center (2727 N. Ferry Street in Anoka).</p> <p>Activity: District Family Engagement Group</p> <p>Representatives from Title I, III, Community Education, Parent Educators, and District Cultural Liaisons meet throughout the year to coordinate and collaborate about school and district resources for families.</p> <p>Contact: Marla Chesser, Parent Involvement Coordinator marla.chesser@ahschools.us</p>