



# Morris Sunset High School

2024-2025 Stacey White, Principal

## **PARENT AND FAMILY ENGAGEMENT POLICY**

Morris Sunset East High School has developed a written Title I Parent and Family Engagement Policy with input agreed upon by both Morris Sunset East High School and parents of students served in the school. Parents are vital partners in the well-being and academic success of students. Therefore, the administration, staff, and parents of Morris Sunset East High School have jointly developed and agreed upon this policy to serve students in the school under Title I. The staff and parents of Morris Sunset East High School will evaluate this policy every year. The Parent and Family Engagement Policy and all correspondence will be distributed in an understandable and uniform format and, to the extent practicable, in a language parents can understand. The Parent and Family Engagement Policy will also be made available to the community through the Morris Sunset East High School website and in the school office to accommodate parents who could not attend the meeting. The policy describes how to carry out the following Title I parent and family engagement requirements.

### **Parent Involvement**

Morris Sunset fosters parent engagement by advertising via flyers, ParentLink calls, and posting information on our website to involve parents. The following practices have been established:

- The school will convene a Title I Annual Meeting on October 10, 2024, to inform parents about Title I requirements and about the rights and responsibilities of parents to be involved. This will also be posted on the school website.
- The school provides surveys to parents for input for parent engagement.
- The school invites parents in an organized, ongoing, and timely way to be involved in the planning, reviewing, and improving the school's Title I budget, the Parent and Family Engagement Policy, and the School Performance Plan during parent meetings.



### **Survey Results**

Morris Sunset East High School received data from the District Wide Parent Survey. We strongly encourage families to take the District Wide Parent Survey via parent link calls and



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flyers. Although the level of parent completion for district-wide surveys needs improvement, we use direct parent feedback from parents as our primary source of feedback. Student feedback at the school relies on information from student surveys, and all survey results are shared at parent night meetings. The survey results indicated that 100% of parents said their children felt safe at school, so we will continue the best practices for creating and fostering positive campus culture.

## **Educational Involvement Accord**

The Educational Involvement Accords are integrated into the registration process through Infinite Campus. Parents/Guardians must review Accords prior to completing their child's registration. Administrators and teachers have access to the Accords when needed for parent conferences, Individual Education Plan (IEP) meetings, or other parent/school occasions.

## **Parent / Student Orientation**

Morris Sunset East High School provides parent / student orientation to include, but not limited to:

- The school's responsibility to provide high-quality curriculum and instruction
- The ways parents will be responsible for supporting their children's learning



- The importance of ongoing communication between parents and teachers through frequent reports on student progress; access to staff; opportunities for parents to volunteer and participate in their child's class and opportunities to observe classroom activities.



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## **Campus Plan for Including Parents in the Academic Achievement of Students**

Morris Sunset East High School engages parents in meaningful interactions with the school. It supports a partnership among staff, parents and the community to improve student academic achievement. To help reach these goals, the school has established the following practices:

- The administration and staff will educate parents in:
  - How assessment data is used to support the students in mastering the state's Academic Content Standards.
  - How to monitor and improve the achievement of their child.
  - How to work with school staff on raising their child's academic achievement.
- The school provides ongoing progress monitoring of students and schedules parent teacher conferences as needed for student interventions to ensure student success as well as positive recognitions for student achievements.
- The school provides extended day tutoring for students to ensure academic success.
- The school provides families with resources via Title I for unaccompanied youth and/or homeless families with different supports and services.
- The school coordinates and integrates parental involvement programs with other partners and agencies, such as Project 150. Families are provided with various resources and supports such as, toiletries, life skills workshops to include social and emotional, financial, and career.
- The school coordinates and integrates families and students with performing arts outreach programs such as Broadway in the Hood to help expand college and career opportunities.
- The school recognizes the importance of positive recognition so the school provides



- Quarterly award ceremony recognition for students and staff.



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- Special recognition of graduating students throughout the year (5 times per year). However, in addition to this, students are positively celebrated at an end-of-the year ceremony with family and friends.
- Seniors are further recognized via senior trips, senior dinners, senior prom, and senior sunset to build and foster positive relationships amongst students and families.
- The school provides additional college and career assistance to students as well as creating strong connections between the school and colleges / military options.
- The school promotes and educates staff members about the value of parent contributions, how to reach out and communicate with parents, and how to build ties between parents and the school through weekly staff meetings, PLCs, and fostering this with the culture and climate of the school.
- Staff Members are available to translate in Spanish for parents as needed
- Parents surveys are utilized to collect information regarding any support parents may need to participate in family engagement activities.