Baker-Koonce Intermediate School

Parent and Family Engagement Policy

2026-2027

Parent & Family Engagement (PFE) Program	
What is it?	Baker-Koonce Intermediate School is committed to our vision: *We will create a learning community where students feel safe, appreciated, and loved, and one where parents and other stakeholders are actively involved. We will maintain high expectations for teachers and students and will promote academic excellence for all students.* One way we continue to do this is by participating in the Title I, Part A State Program. This program provides funding to schools with low socioeconomic status. In return, we promise to meet the expectations laid out for us by the Texas Education Agency and the United States Department of Education.
Funding	Title I funds will be allocated for the implementation of the parent and family engagement program. Such programs, activities, and procedures will be planned and implemented with meaningful consultation with parents of participating children.
Review	All use of funding and activities can be reviewed by the Texas Education Agency upon request to ensure they meet the needs of the PFE Program.

Parent Meetings	Parent Meetings offer a time for the school and family to communicate necessary information. These meetings will take place in teachers' classrooms or the cafeteria. You can enter through the main entrance facing Adams Street. ● First Six Weeks - September 21, 2026 / November 2, 2026 / TBD ● Fourth Six Weeks - Date / Time TBD
How to be involved	● Become a member of the BK PTO. ● Attend the meetings above and the family trainings/activities below. ● Talk to your child's teacher about how to help/volunteer in the classroom. Reach out via ROOMS or email. ● If you do not know your teacher's email or if you have not connected with the teacher through the ROOMS App, contact the principal at 903-693-8862 or cdowns@carthageisd.org .
Family Trainings/Activities	Family trainings are opportunities for family members to learn new knowledge and skills from other parents, community members, and educators. The schedule and locations listed below are subject to change. Any changes made will be communicated via Thrillshare messaging, emails, on our school website, and Facebook page. ● Meet-the-Teacher ○ Date & Time: ■ Tuesday, August 11, 2026 ■ 11:00 AM - 1:00 PM ○ Location: Baker-Koonce Intermediate School Classrooms, Cafe, Library and Gym ● Title I Parent Meeting ○ Date & Time: ■ Monday, September 28, 2026; 5:30 PM ■ Thursday, October 1, 2026; 12:00 PM ○ Location: Baker-Koonce Intermediate School Cafeteria; Library

- Open House
  - Date & Time:
    - Monday, September 28, 2026; 6:00 PM - 7:00 PM
  - Location: Baker-Koonce Intermediate School Classrooms/Campus

- Parent-Teacher Conferences (in person or virtual)
  - Dates & Times: You will sign up for a conference date and time with your child's teacher for September 21, 2026, November 2, 2026, or another date and time that is convenient for both the parent and teacher. While September 21 and November 2 are designated staff development days, parent-teacher conferences may be scheduled at any time throughout the school year as needed or deemed appropriate by the parent or teacher.
  - Location: Baker-Koonce Intermediate School Classrooms

- Book Fair
  - Date & Time: September 25, 2026 - October 2, 2026
    - 8:30 AM - 2:30 PM each day (will remain open until 7:00 PM on September 28)
  - Location: Baker-Koonce Intermediate School Library
  - Other: PTO volunteers will help students with book selections.

- Spring Parent Night
  - Date & Time: March 2027 - Specific Date TBD
    - Time TBD
  - Location: Baker-Koonce Intermediate School Classrooms, Library, and Cafeteria

- End-of-Year Field Day
  - Date & Time: May 2027 - Specific Date TBD
    - Time TBD
  - Location: Bulldog Stadium

Curriculum	Baker-Koonce Intermediate School utilizes high-quality curricula that support student success. For Reading Language Arts and Math, we use Bluebonnet Learning curricula. Our curricula are 100% aligned with the Texas Essential Knowledge Skills.
Forms of Academic Assessments	Baker-Koonce Intermediate School has common formative assessments that every teacher gives. No matter the teacher, each child is assessed via the same assessment provided by Bluebonnet Learning and supplemented with TEKS Resource System. Students at Baker-Koonce also take part in the State of Texas Assessments of Academic Readiness (STAAR). 4th, 5th, and 6th Grade students all take the Reading and Math STAAR. 5th Grade Students also take the Science STAAR.
Expected Achievement Levels on Academic Assessments	The State's Performance Standards can be found on this website: https://tea.texas.gov/data-reports/student-assessment-results/staar-performance-standards Baker-Koonce Intermediate School tracks each child's growth throughout the year via local assessments (mentioned above).
Ways to Request Regular Meetings	Guardians can bring any suggestions, ideas, or concerns to parent meetings. However, if they need to meet with the administrators or their child's teacher at another time, they can email that person or call the office at 903-693-8862. We welcome any ideas, feedback, and concerns as we want our school to be a place where everyone feels safe and welcome.

SCHOOL-PARENT COMPACT

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Baker-Koonce Intermediate School pledges to:

● Provide a safe and supportive environment for children to learn. ● Provide high quality curriculum tied to the State's student performance standards. ● Provide qualified faculty and staff to ensure high-quality instruction and support. ● Strive to identify and address students' unique needs. ● Communicate regularly with parents on their student's progress and needs. ● Involve parents in decisions relating to the education of their children.

Parents/Guardians pledge to: ● Provide a safe and supportive environment for children to grow and develop. ● Send students to school on time and ready to learn. ● Encourage student learning by regularly reviewing students' homework. ● Visit school and participate in school activities—including open house, parent-teacher conferences, parent education programs, etc. ● Work closely with the classroom teacher(s) to ensure the success of their student. ● Adhere to school rules and provide direction to students regarding school rules. ● Take a stand against alcohol and drug abuse.
Students pledge to: ● Be active participants in their own learning. ● Be responsible learners. ● Be on time and prepared to work. ● Complete all classwork and homework ● Follow school rules. ● Attend school regularly. ● Promote school safety.