

Carthage High School

2026-27 Parent & Family Engagement (PFE) Policy and School-Parent Compact



What is it?	At Carthage High School, we are committed to our vision: Every student matters and serves a purpose. We strive to provide a high-quality education that meets the unique needs of every student while building strong, meaningful partnerships with families and our community. One way we support this commitment is through our participation in the Title I, Part A federal program, which provides additional funding to schools serving a high percentage of students from economically disadvantaged backgrounds. Through this program, we are able to enhance educational opportunities, provide additional resources, and support student success. In doing so, we remain committed to meeting the program requirements established by the Texas Education Agency and the U.S. Department of Education.
Funding	Title I funds will be designated to support the implementation of our Parent and Family Engagement Program. We are committed to ensuring that parents and families have a meaningful voice in the planning, development, and implementation of programs, activities, and procedures that support student success.
Review	All Title I expenditures and activities are subject to review by the Texas Education Agency to ensure they align with program requirements and effectively support the goals of the Parent and Family Engagement (PFE) Program.

Family Meetings	Parent meetings provide valuable opportunities for families and school staff to communicate, share important information, and work together to support student success. Meeting dates for the 2026–2027 school year will be scheduled and shared with families as soon as they are finalized.
How To Be Involved	• Stay Involved: Attend scheduled parent meetings, family engagement activities, and training opportunities to stay informed and actively involved in your child’s education. • Connect with Teachers: Reach out to your child’s teachers through ROOMS in the Carthage ISD app to discuss ways you can support your child’s learning, volunteer in the classroom, or participate in school organizations. • Need Assistance? If you need help contacting your child’s teachers or locating their email addresses, please call the CHS Main Office at (903) 693-2552.
Family Trainings & Activities	Family training opportunities provide parents and family members with valuable knowledge, resources, and skills through collaboration with educators, community members, and other families. Please note that the dates, times, and locations listed below are subject to change. Any updates will be communicated through the district’s call-out system, email, ROOMS app, and the school website. • Freshman Orientation ○ Date & Time: Wednesday, July 29, 2026; 5:00-7:00 PM ○ Location: CISD Performing Arts Center ○ Other Information: Students and parents will gain a better understanding of CHS procedures, expectations, and daily operations. • Back to School Bash ○ Date & Time: Thursday, August 6, 2026; 6:00-8:00 PM ○ Location: Old Bus Ramp by Cafeteria Doors ○ Other Information: Stay in your car and receive free school supplies for your child/children.

- **Open House and Title 1 Parent Meeting**
 - **Dates & Times:**
 - Thursday, August 20, 2026; 5:30 PM
 - Friday, August 21, 2026; 12:00 PM
 - CHS Commons Area
 - Other Information: Meet the Bulldogs Night - CHS Gym; 6:00 PM
- **Carthage High School Hispanic Heritage Celebration**
 - Date & Time: Tuesday, September 11, 2026; 4:00-7:00 PM
 - Location: Carthage Commons Area
 - Other Information: Connect with other Hispanic parents and school staff to learn how to support your child's growth.
- **Christmas in the Pines**
 - Date & Time: Thursday, December 3, 2026; 6:00 PM
 - Location: CISD Performing Arts Center
 - Other Information: Showcasing CHS Fine Arts and Culinary Departments
- **Adulting 101 with Job Fair**
 - Date and Time: Friday, January 8, 2027; 8:00 AM - 12:00 Noon
 - Location: CHS Gym
 - Other Information: Preparing Seniors for Life Beyond Graduation: Exploring Careers, Building Life Skills, and Planning for the Future.
- **FAFSA and Scholarship Night**
 - Date & Time: Thursday, January 21, 2027; 5:00 PM
 - Location: CHS Library
 - Other Information: Assist parents and students with application processes.
- **8th Grade Registration / CTE Expo**

	○ Date and Time: Thursday, February 25, 2027; Time TBD ○ Location: CHS Gym and Commons ○ Other Information: Eighth-grade students will have the opportunity to explore Career and Technical Education (CTE) programs and course offerings to help them make informed decisions when selecting their high school courses. Additional trainings and activities scheduled will be announced through the district's call-out system, Rooms app, and the school website as details become available.
Curriculum	Carthage High School is dedicated to delivering a high-quality curriculum that addresses the diverse needs of all students, fosters academic growth, and provides a strong foundation for continued success.
Forms of Academic Assessments	At Carthage High School, teachers administer common formative assessments within each subject area to ensure consistency in measuring student mastery of the Texas Essential Knowledge and Skills (TEKS). These assessments provide valuable data to guide instruction and monitor student progress. Additionally, released STAAR assessments are used alongside other instructional resources to reinforce learning, assess student understanding, and support academic growth.
Expected Achievement Levels on Academic Assessments	The Texas Education Agency's (TEA) State Performance Standards can be accessed here. (https://tea.texas.gov/data-reports/student-assessment-results/staar-performance-standards) Carthage High School monitors individual student progress and academic growth throughout the school year using data from both local and state assessments. These results help guide instructional decisions, identify areas of need, and ensure students receive the support necessary for academic success.
Ways to Request Regular Meetings	Parents and guardians are encouraged to share their ideas, suggestions, and concerns during the parent meetings listed above. Those who wish to meet with a teacher or campus administrator outside of these scheduled meetings may request an appointment through Rooms. We value open communication and welcome feedback from our families as we work together to create a safe, supportive, and welcoming learning

	environment where every student and family feels valued and connected.
School Parent Compact	
The School's Responsibilities	• Provide a safe, supportive, and welcoming learning environment where all students can thrive. • Deliver a high-quality curriculum aligned with the Texas Essential Knowledge and Skills (TEKS) and state performance standards. • Employ qualified, dedicated faculty and staff who provide high-quality instruction and support student success. • Identify and address the individual academic, social, and emotional needs of students. • Maintain regular, meaningful communication with parents and guardians regarding student progress, achievements, and areas of need. • Encourage and promote parent and family involvement in decisions that impact their children's education.
The Guardian's Responsibilities	• Provide a safe, supportive, and nurturing home environment that encourages student growth and development. • Ensure students arrive at school on time, prepared, and ready to learn each day. • Support student learning by regularly reviewing assignments, monitoring academic progress, and encouraging good study habits. • Actively participate in school activities and events, including Open House, parent-teacher conferences, and parent education programs. • Partner with teachers and school staff to support student achievement and success. • Reinforce school rules and expectations by encouraging students to demonstrate responsibility, respect, and positive behavior. • Promote healthy choices and reinforce the importance of remaining drug- and alcohol-free.

The Student's Responsibilities	• Actively participate in classroom instruction and take ownership of their learning. • Demonstrate responsibility, accountability, and a positive attitude toward learning. • Arrive at school and class on time, prepared, and ready to learn. • Complete and submit all classwork and homework on time and to the best of their ability. • Follow all school rules, procedures, and expectations. • Attend school regularly and recognize the importance of consistent attendance. • Contribute to a safe, respectful, and positive school environment.
Ongoing Communications	• Foster meaningful partnerships between families and educators through parent-teacher conferences that encourage open communication, collaboration, and shared responsibility for student success. • Provide flexible opportunities for parents and families to actively participate in school meetings, educational trainings, and family engagement activities offered on various days and at different times to accommodate family schedules. • Strengthen communication between home and school by providing student progress reports every three weeks, keeping families informed and engaged in their child's academic growth and achievement.
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