

O'Hara Park Middle School

Title I Parent Involvement Policy 2025-26

At O'Hara Park Middle School, parents and community members are welcome and invited to participate in the various activities and involvement options we have at our school. We believe that active parent/community involvement is essential to ensure student academic success.

I. Parent-School Communication:

The O'Hara Park School website is kept up to date with all current information, our school marquee is updated with events and important dates, a parent/guardian newsletter (smore) is sent out monthly of upcoming events along with important information/reminders, and other resources to support students and parents. In addition there are quick links to access teacher and staff contact information, PowerSchool to access grade reports, Classlink to access google classrooms and other online learning platforms.

II. Volunteer Opportunities:

O'Hara Park is available to welcome visitors to campus. In order to volunteer in classrooms and for events you do need to be cleared by the district. Information can be found on the district and school webpage. We ask that you enter through the office front door to sign-in and receive a visitor's badge. Please wear this badge where it can be easily viewed by staff. This badge lets all staff members know that you have checked into the front office. After you have finished your visit, please return to the office to check out. This is imperative as in an emergency we will need to account for everyone in the building, safety is one of our highest priorities. When volunteering in the classroom or elsewhere on campus, or if you would like to conference with an Administrator or Teachers we ask that you make an appointment ahead of time in order to avoid interruptions to the classroom environment.

Developing and maintain a partnership between home and school is extremely important in assisting students in achieving their personal best. One of the ways to strengthen the partnership is by joining and participating in the Parent, Teacher, Student, Association (PTSA)

The PTSA is always looking for new members to assist in organizing fundraisers and activities to engage students and families.

III. Decision Making/Leadership Opportunities:

Parents are strongly encouraged to participate in the School Site Council meetings. The SSC serves as an advisory panel to the Single Plan for Student Achievement. The SSC meets several times throughout the year to regularly review, and monitor progress towards student goals.

Another opportunity for leadership within the school for our English Learner families is the English Language Advisory Committee, ELAC. ELAC is a committee designed to maintain an open dialog with our EL families in order to support student needs.

IV. O'Hara Park conducts annual needs assessments throughout the school year. These occur around the following times- Open House, student led conferences, Fall and Spring Surveys, ELAC meetings, and SSC Meetings to assess the effectiveness of our programs, determine the areas of need, and to gather parent feedback.