



Title I Parent & Family Engagement Policy

LSC is an Open Door to Quality Engagement

At Liberty STEAM Charter School, we recognize that a scholar's education is a responsibility shared among parents, families, the community, our teachers, and administrators. We're all in this together! Creating positive school, home, and community partnerships are essential to carrying out the shared responsibility of high-quality and inclusive academic opportunity and achievement. Our engagement policy represents a formal partnership between LSC and our parents and families and our commitment to carrying out successful school-parent/family-scholar connections, communication, and experiences.

The Purpose of the LSC Engagement Policy

LSC families are our partners in the education of our scholars. The *LSC Parent & Family Engagement Policy* exists to accomplish three critical goals:

1. Support and secure strong, effective partnerships among parents, families, the community, and LSC to consistently improve academic quality and student performance.
2. Provide the coordination, technical assistance, and other support necessary to assist LSC in planning and implementing effective parent and family engagement activities to consistently improve scholar achievement and school performance, and;
3. Comply with Title I, Part A requirements regarding establishing a parent and family engagement policy according to Section 116 of the Every Student Succeeds Act (ESSA).

LSC Engagement Policy Expectations

LSC is committed to fostering and promoting successful parent and family engagement and strives to maximize this engagement by implementing programs, activities, and procedures that emphasize effective partnerships, along with our shared responsibility for high academic achievement and LSC scholar success.

Along with our school-parent/family-scholar commitment, our engagement policy expectations include:

1. Parent/families volunteering at least 10 hours per school year in traditional or non-traditional ways.
2. Parents/families attending celebrations and exhibitions of scholar accomplishments, academic or artistic.
3. Parents/families attending scheduled quarterly academic conferences, organized home visits, and other essential meetings.
4. Parents/families attending the annual *Welcome to Liberty* event (new family orientation) and back-to-school bash in early August.
5. Parents/families attending the weekly *Community Culture Celebrations* to recognize and support scholar achievements.

LSC's Commitment to Advancing Our Parent & Family Engagement Policy

In addition to regularly scheduled family-teacher meetings, volunteer opportunities, reliable transportation for scholars in need, and consistent communication on scholar progress, LSC is committed to the continual advancement of our connectivity, communication, and engagement with parents and families. As such, we ensure greater accessibility and assistance through the following:

1. Hold an annual meeting to inform parents/families of the requirements of Title I and the school's participation, as well as parent's rights under Title I;
2. Ensure all parents/families have a clear understanding of state academic standards, academic assessments, how to monitor their scholar's progress, and how to work with LSC teachers to improve their scholar's achievements;
3. Provide materials and training to help parents/families work with their scholars, such as literacy and technology training;
4. Provide meaningful opportunities for parent/family-teacher consultations.

Parent & Family Engagement Evaluation

Each year, LSC will evaluate our *Parent & Family Engagement Policy* content and effectiveness and all related activities to improve the academic quality of Title I schools. In addition to the bimonthly Possip feedback survey, LSC commits to collecting formal feedback from parents regarding their level of satisfaction regarding parent & family engagement at three checkpoints in the year: August, December, and May. These formal surveys will be administered electronically. We will post these surveys on our website, social media, and other communication platforms (Dojo, Remind, etc).