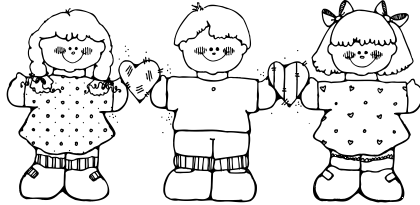


# Ira A. Murphy Elementary Title I Parent Involvement Policy



## **STATEMENT OF PURPOSE:**

The purpose of this plan is to encourage, support and expand parent participation in the success of our student's education at Ira A. Murphy Elementary. This plan fulfills the requirements of Title I, a federal program to assist disadvantaged students in meeting the Arizona State Academic Standards. The involvement of parents and community members is a key component of increasing student achievement. Every effort to invite and consider parent input is made to ensure the success of our students. All parents are invited to participate in any aspect of our school programs or parent involvement plan.

## **ANNUAL MEETING:**

An annual Ira A. Murphy parent information meeting is held in the first quarter of each school year during Curriculum Night. We include the following information:

- Explanation of Title I and the school-wide program.
- Information regarding parents' rights to be involved in the Title I decision making, policy development, and the rebuttal process.
- Information on assessments and progress monitoring that will be provided to parents.
- Explanation of the programs and intervention curriculum that Ira A. Murphy Elementary uses to teach Arizona Common Core State Standards.

## **SCHOOL COMPACT:**

Ira A. Murphy Elementary School-Student-Parent compact is distributed at the beginning of each school year when parents are notified that their child has become eligible for Title I. It is a jointly developed and reviewed agreement between students, parents, staff and the principal to ensure a positive, successful school experience for all. A copy of the compact is available upon request.

## **BUILDING CAPACITY FOR PARENT INVOLVEMENT:**

Ira A. Murphy wants to support parents in fostering a healthy partnership that will have a positive impact on their children's education. Parents play a critical role in student learning. Ira A. Murphy will do the following to support parents in this partnership:

- Provide parents information in a uniform format, and in a language parents can understand and disseminate in a timely manner.
- Inform parents via newsletters, school marquee, teacher communication and Title I meetings.
- Offer flexible number of meetings, to be held at flexible times, and may use Title I funds to pay related expenses, such as child care, speakers, staff, food and handouts.
- Provide a parent survey at the conclusion of each school year to collect opinions and concerns and suggestions about the current programs.
- Determine parents' needs and plan future topics for meetings and workshops.
- Assist parents in understanding the Arizona Common Core State Standards, Arizona Instrument to Measure Standards (AIMS), and the Dynamic Indicators of Basic Early Literacy Skills (DIBELS) screening instrument.
- Provide education to parents about helping their child at home through Partners in Print and other parent involvement activities.
- Communicate with parents their child's progress and share data that explains at what level their child is performing.