

Sunrise Middle School Parental Involvement Policy

Sunrise Middle School agrees to implement the following policy for involvement of parents, consistent with Section 1118 of the Elementary and Secondary Education Act (ESEA). The following policy will ensure that the requirements of section 1118 of the ESEA are met, describing broadly:

- how parents are involved in the development of the LEA plan and process for review of program improvement status
- how parent involvement activities are planned and implemented to improve student academic achievement and school performance
- how school and parent capacity for strong parental involvement is built
- how parent involvement strategies are coordinated and integrated across programs
- the process for annual evaluation of content and effectiveness of the parent involvement policy, and subsequent incorporation of findings to design more effective parent involvement
- how parents are involved in the development and revisions of this policy

Consistent with the requirements of section 1118(b) of the ESEA, Sunrise Middle School will provide parents access to this parent involvement policy and subsequent changes in a timely manner. Specifically, Sunrise publishes the current parent-involvement policy at the following web address: www.sunrisemiddle.org. In addition, the school maintains a current copy of the parent-involvement policy on site and is available upon request.

Consistent with the requirements of section 1118(c) of the ESEA, Sunrise Middle will provide parents an opportunity to participate in the development of the overall policy. Sunrise will host an annual meeting with specific purpose of reviewing this document.

Consistent with the requirements of section 1118(d) of the ESEA, Sunrise will jointly develop a school-parent compact that outlines how parents, school staff, and students will share responsibility for student achievement. The school maintains a current copy of the school-parent compact on site and is available upon request.”

Consistent with the requirements of section 1118(e) of the ESEA, Sunrise will build capacity for parent involvement by providing assistance in understanding the national education goals, California’s content standards, and California student performance standards. In addition, Sunrise will coordinate and integrate parent involvement programs to the extent feasible. Every year, school host a parent meeting where API and AYP from the past year are reviewed and explained. These meetings are framed as part of the discussion on how Title funding is being used to address student achievement, as well as other programs like the school’s after school program.

Consistent with the requirements of section 1118(f) of the ESEA, Sunrise also will provide opportunities for the participation of parents with limited English proficiency or with disabilities to the extent practical. The school provides Spanish translation at all parent meetings.

This Parental Involvement Policy has been developed jointly with parents of children participating in Title I, Part A programs, as evidenced by approval of the parent association on June 6, 2012. The school contact for Parent/Family involvement is Gabriela Pedroza, who can be reached at Gabriela@sunrisemiddle.org.