

WEST OSO INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT
HB 4 HIGH QUALITY PREKINDERGARTEN GRANT PROGRAM
FAMILY ENGAGEMENT PLAN



John F. Kennedy Elementary will foster a partnership with parents and the community. Through this partnership we hope to encourage academic success as well as social and emotional support. Our district motto is, personalization, collaboration, and trust. All activities included in the family engagement plan are designed to support the motto. Modifications were made to this year’s plan due to COVID-19 restrictions. Our ultimate goal is to encourage students to become lifelong learners and thinkers.

HB 4-Definitions of Family and Family Engagement:
Family: Adults responsible for the child’s care and children in the child’s life who support the early learning and development of the child.
Family Engagement: The mutual responsibility of families, schools, and communities to build relationships to support student learning and achievement of children, families, and educators. Family and community engagement components are fully integrated in the child’s educational experience, supporting the whole child, and are culturally responsive and linguistically appropriate.

WOISD Pre-Kindergarten Family Engagement Plan

Component	WOISD Actions
Facilitate Family-to-Family Support	WOISD will provide parents and families with opportunities to participate in family engagement activities such as: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Reading Restaurant • Math & Science Night • Museum exhibit – In Search of Earths Secrets • Awards Assemblies • Field Day & Splash Day • Open House • Parent Teachers Organization (PTO) meetings • Celebration of Education • Literature Parade • Family Movie Night

<p>Establish a Network of Community Resources</p>	<p>WOISD Partnerships with Community Organizations will create a network of resources that will directly benefit Prekindergarten families as needed.</p> <p>Some resources are:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Communities in Schools • District Family & Student Support Services • Campus Health & Community Resource Fairs • Hippie Program • Pre-K Round Up
<p>Increase Family Participation in Decision-Making</p>	<p>Pre-kindergarten families will be invited to participate and serve on the:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • District Advisory Team (DAT) • Campus Advisory Team (CAT) • Parent Teacher Organization • Student Health Advisory Committee (SHAC) • Band communication App
<p>Equip Families with Tools to Enhance and Extend Learning</p>	<p>Prekindergarten families will be provided opportunities for learning that will enhance activities at home:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Headsprout – academic student website • Report Card Conferences • Campus Newsletters • CLI Engage Family Engagement Activities • Monthly Calendar of campus and district events
<p>Develop Staff Skills in Evidence-Based Practices that Support Families in meeting their Children’s Learning</p>	<p>Prekindergarten teachers will attend professional development training in areas such as:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Phonemic Awareness - Heggerty • Ongoing Campus-based PLCs • Campus and District communicates upcoming Early Childhood professional development events, important due dates, and learning opportunities in the community
<p>Evaluate Family Engagement Efforts and Use Evaluations for Continuous Improvement</p>	<p>Feedback and suggestions will be sought from families through:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • District Family Engagement Online Interest Survey • PTO Meetings • Climate Surveys • Band parent communication app