

Magness Creek Elementary Parental Involvement Plan

Magness Creek Elementary is dedicated to the effective education of all students. We recognize the family as the primary influence in a child's life, and know that the family plays an integral role in the educational success of all children. Education is a shared responsibility of the family and the school during the entire time a child spends in school. Families and school staff must work together as knowledgeable partners to attain success. Magness Creek Elementary is committed to effective parental involvement. We welcome parents/guardians/caregivers to our campus and classrooms by providing a climate conducive to active parental involvement.

I. Program Components

To support the belief of the Cabot Public Schools, the school's parents, alumni, and community must work as knowledgeable partners. The Magness Creek Elementary School's plan may include, but not be limited to the following components of a successful parental involvement program.

A. Parent, Alumni, and Community Involvement:

Magness Creek Elementary will provide the following opportunities to involve parents and community.

1. Advisory Committee made up of school personnel, community members, and parents
 - a. The above committee will develop a Parental Involvement Plan that will involve parents and community partners in a variety of roles.
 - b. The plan will be disseminated to all Magness Creek patrons.

2. A Volunteer Plan
 - a. Survey parents regarding their abilities, interests, and availability as volunteers.
 - b. Needs assessment will be conducted at the building level to determine needs. A list will be compiled and distributed to parents.
 - c. A volunteer resource book will be established for teachers listing the interests and availability of volunteers.

3. Activities and Events
 - Annual Report to the Public
 - Open house
 - Back to School Bash
 - Parent Information Nights
 - Parent/Teacher Conferences
 - PTO meetings
 - Musical Programs
 - Literacy and Math Night
 - Science Night
 - Grandparent's Day
 - Award and Recognition Assemblies
 - Pre-K to Kindergarten Transition visits
 - Pre-K Program
 - Career Focus
 - Room Parents
 - Parent Study Groups
 - PALS Program
 - Fire Prevention Week Activities

Special Events such as: Read Across America, Children's Book Week, Field Trips, Field Day, Red Ribbon Week Activities, Dr. Seuss Birthday, etc.

Cookies with Santa

Food-for-Kids Program

Book Fairs

4. Department of Defense Education Agency
Family Center Activities

B. Resource Materials

District Elementary Handbook

District/School Websites

Parent Center Materials/Lending Library

Family Information Kits (Parent Packs)

Library Materials

Parent Tip Card

C. Recognition of Parent

Parents who attend both parent/teacher conferences will be recognized in area newspaper.

II. Information Kits (Parent Packs)

Parent information kits containing pertinent school information will be furnished to each family at the beginning of the school year. Each pack will include:

- Magness Creek Elementary Parental Involvement Plan
- School phone number, website address, etc.
- Responsibilities of the parent, student, teacher, and school
- List of ways parents may be involved at school and in child's education
- A district calendar of activities throughout the year is available on the District website
- Dates of two parent/teacher conferences
- A description of the system which allows parents and teachers to communicate in a regular, two-way and meaningful manner is provided by each teacher.

III. Parent Center

A Parent Resource Center is located on the Magness Creek Elementary campus.

IV. School Policies

Magness Creek Elementary encourages parental involvement and participation.

- a. The policy regarding check-out procedures is published in the Cabot Public School Handbook under *Checkout Policy*. The Magness Creek car-rider pick-up procedure will be available in the office and in the Parent Packs.
- b. The policy for classroom visits during school is published in the Cabot Public School Elementary Handbook under *Visitors to School*.
- c. The school's process for resolving parental concerns is published in the Cabot Public Schools Elementary Handbook under *Appeals Procedure*.