



Pineywoods Community Academy Public Charter School



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Pineywoods Community Academy is committed to providing a quality education to all students. To accomplish this goal, it is imperative to recognize and support the stakeholders in the educational process as partners. As we continue to build collaborative relationships with parents, we will have a concentrated focus on family engagement that supports a holistic perception that is inclusive and culturally responsive. Teams of educators and families working together for student learning and achievement will create a cultivated space for student growth and success.

An advisory committee will be formed to develop, monitor, and evaluate Parent Involvement and Family Engagement Efforts.

Family Engagement Plan	
Components	Family Engagement Strategies
Facilitate family – to – family support	<p>PCA’s advisory committee will encourage active family participation in family led support activities and events, such as:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Meet the Teacher Night ● Family Feedback Opportunities ● Parent-Teacher-Student Organization (PTSO) ● Literacy Event-Book Buddies of East Texas ● Choir Performances ● Red Ribbon Week ● Fall Festival ● Canned Food Drive ● Cinco de Mayo ● Black History Month ● Veteran’s Day Program ● Father-Daughter Dance ● Field Day ● EOY Events and Learning Excursions

<p>Establish a community resource network</p>	<p>PCA will partner with community organizations, agencies, and businesses to provide support for families, such as:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Alcohol and Drug Abuse Council (ADAC) ● External Counseling such as: Burke Center ● Lunch Buddies
<p>Increase family participation in decision making</p>	<p>The PCA Family Engagement Advisory Committee will actively set annual goals that target family engagement. Families will be invited to participate and provide feedback on committees / plans, such as:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Parent-Teacher-Student Organization (PTSO) ● School Health Advisory Council (SHAC)
<p>Equip families with tools to enhance and extend learning</p>	<p>PCA will equip families with educational resources that supports student learning, such as:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Leveled readers ● Online access for digital programs supporting instruction ● Providing parent training sessions that target best practices that are age-appropriate for both educational and behavioral support ● Pre-Kindergarten to Kindergarten Family Night
<p>Provide professional development to staff on communication, engagement, and cultural responsiveness that is evidence based, supporting the child's learning</p>	<p>PCA will facilitate ongoing staff development opportunities, such as:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Sheltered Instruction Observation Protocol (SIOP) ● Region VII ESC: Cultural Responsiveness 101 ● Differentiation ● Literacy and Math
<p>Evaluate family engagement efforts; plan for continuous improvement</p>	<p>PCA will annually evaluate the family engagement efforts by:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Parent-Teacher-Student Organization (PTSO) Membership ● Parent-Teacher-Student Organization (PTSO) Activities/Participation in Events Committee Feedback