



**Harbor Springs
Elementary
Parent Involvement Plan
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Mission: Be Extraordinary

Vision: Customizing educational experiences that lead to student success
Core Values: Belonging, Generosity, Mastery, Independence
Goal: Improve transitions - as our students enter school; as they change grade levels and buildings, and as they graduate

Parent Involvement Goals

- ◆ To actively involve parents in the educational process of their child or children.
- ◆ To offer activities and opportunities that encourage parents to be active partners in their child's education
- ◆ To help parents understand student progress and offer ways for them to receive help in their efforts to improve their child's progress.
- ◆ To provide frequent and continuous open communication links between home and school.
- ◆ To assist parents in understanding the particular learning path and style of their child and provide support for parents to become an effective learning coach at home.

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Blackbird and Shay Elementary Schools recognize that a child's education is a responsibility shared by the school and family. To support the goal of the schools to educate all students effectively, the schools and parents must work as knowledgeable partners. Parents are an integral component of a school's ability to provide for the educational success of their children. Research shows that when families are involved in a child's education, test scores are higher, attendance is better and students have a more positive attitude. Blackbird and Shay Elementary Schools acknowledge that engaging parents is essential to improve student achievement and foster growth. We continuously encourage and support active parental involvement.

School Processes to Achieve Goals:

- ◆ District-wide open house as well as classroom / or grade level open house opportunities
- ◆ Parent-Teacher conferences scheduled twice a year.
- ◆ Annual Parent Meeting
- ◆ Weekly school-wide and classroom newsletters to communicate with parents at the building and classroom level
- ◆ Communication of all Title I information, policies, and procedures to families
- ◆ Provide parents with information outlining the purpose and use of trimester and yearly assessments used to monitor student growth and achievement.
- ◆ Encourage staff, parents, and students to discuss and abide by the School-Parent Compact annually
- ◆ Provide notice and information under the "Parents Right to Know" requirements to all parents in Title I schools, in an understandable and uniform format
- ◆ Provide volunteer opportunities for parents and community members at various points throughout the school year.
- ◆ Early Childhood Advisory Meetings are held at least three times a year to provide preschool parents and area-wide agencies with information regarding early childhood programs
- ◆ Parental perception surveys have been developed to identify program effectiveness, assist in making informed decisions about students and the learning environment, and measure the parental perceptions of the learning community

WE NEED YOUR HELP!

Blackbird and Shay Volunteer Information

Volunteers are a vital part of our school district. We know that many of you would like to assist with school activities, but your schedule prohibits you from helping out during the scheduled school hours. The staff and I have compiled a list of activities that require your assistance throughout the school year. Please check any activities that you are interested in. You will be contacted prior to each event.

- Picture Day
- Spring Picture Day
- Literacy Month Activities
- Craft Night
- Track and Field Day (Blackbird / Shay)
- Computer Lab Volunteer
- PTO Activity Nights
- Office Volunteer
- Lunchroom Volunteer
- Before School Safety – 7:45—8:05
- After School Safety – 2:55—3:05
- Special Student Luncheons (Blackbird-October/ December/February/June)
- Entry Displays (Blackbird / Shay) – Monthly
- Book Fairs (Blackbird / Shay)
- Mileage Club / Fitness Activities
- ELF (Environmental Learning for the Future)
- School Store (Shay)
- Box Tops / Soup Labels (Blackbird / Shay)

Name: _____ Phone Number _____

2011-2012 Teacher(s): _____

THANK YOU!