



## Palo Pinto ISD Prekindergarten Family Engagement Plan

Palo Pinto ISD believes that the education of all students should be a partnership between the school, parents, and families. As parents are their children's first teachers, they play an essential role in students' success.

### Facilitate Family-to-Family Support:

Palo Pinto ISD creates a safe and respectful environment where families can learn from one another, both as individuals and in groups. Palo Pinto ISD provides opportunities for families to participate in school initiatives such as:

- School Family Engagement Events (Meet the Teacher, PreK Round Up, Math & Reading Nights)
- Classroom Events & Activities
- Special Parent Lunches
- Parent Orientations & Meetings
- PTO events

### Establish a Network of Community Resources:

Palo Pinto ISD establishes and maintains partnerships with local businesses, faith-based organizations, healthcare providers, and community agencies. Palo Pinto ISD links families with community agencies and resources based on needs:

- Helping Hands Community Support Services (HHCSS)
- Pecan Valley Centers
- Mineral Wellness Center
- Community Care Counseling
- Palo Pinto Community Connection

### Increase Family Participation in Decision-Making:

Palo Pinto ISD encourages family participation in decision-making through improvement planning targeting family engagement. Palo Pinto ISD:

- Provides feedback opportunities through parent surveys
- Provide opportunities for parents to serve as advocates and leaders on various committees, such as the Site-Based Decision-Making Committee, School Health Advisory Council (SHAC), and the LPAC Committee
- Provide opportunities for parents to join the PTO

### Equip families with Tools to enhance and extend learning:

Palo Pinto ISD designs and implements resources to support learning at home and strengthen the family-school partnership:

- Weekly progress reports
- Meet the Teacher Night
- Newsletters
- PTO Meetings

- Parent/Teacher Conferences
- CLI Engage/CIRCLE-PM Testing Results

#### Develop Staff Skills in Evidence-Based Practices that Support Families in Meeting their Children's Learning Benchmarks:

Palo Pinto ISD promotes and develops family engagement as a core strategy to improve teaching and learning among all educators and staff.

- Ongoing Staff Development
- Children's Learning Institute (CLI) Family Engagement Training
- Progress Reporting
- Gain an understanding of early intervention services to support family inquiries and needs

#### Evaluate Family Engagement Efforts and Use Evaluations for Continuous Improvement:

Palo Pinto ISD utilizes data-driven decision-making to promote family engagement and student success. Feedback is solicited through surveys and at school events.