



Waverly Belmont Elementary School  
Parent and Family Engagement Policy 2023-2024

At Waverly Belmont Elementary School, we realize that parents play a critical role in their children's success as well as the success of the school. We recognize the importance of working closely with parents to provide a quality educational experience for all students. This policy has been developed in collaboration with parents to outline the ways in which we provide parents with the information and training necessary to encourage and support their child's progress at our school. If you have any concerns or suggestions regarding the Parent and Family Engagement Policy, please contact Assistant Principal, Codi Cummings via email at [codilcummings@mnps.org](mailto:codilcummings@mnps.org)

**Communication with Parents:**

- We will work with parents to develop a school-parent compact that outlines the commitments of teachers, parents, and students to foster academic success for each child. We will provide parents with a copy of this compact via First Day Folders, will post a copy to the school website.
- We will provide parents an explanation of the curriculum used at Waverly Belmont, the forms of academic assessment used to measure student progress and the proficiency levels that students are expected to meet.
- We will strive to communicate clearly and effectively with parents by a variety of communication strategies including, but not limited to, weekly newsletters, information & updates emails, call-out announcement system, school website, progress reports, report cards, by mail, phone, and emails.
- Parents will have access to the parent portal, which allows parents to access their student's grades, attendance and assignments. Through this system, the parents can set triggers to receive notifications about grades and attendance.

**Meeting with Parents:**

- We will offer parent meetings, monthly PTO meetings and parent/teacher conferences, at various times.
- We will offer Parent/Teacher conferences throughout the year so that parents can meet with their students' teachers and work together to help the student achieve academic success. A parent can request a meeting with the student's teacher(s) at any point in the school year.
- We will provide opportunities for regular meetings with parents to formulate suggestions and to participate, as appropriate, in decisions relating to the education of their student.
- The Waverly Belmont Elementary School administration team maintains an "open door" policy with parents for phone calls, emails and conferences.

**Parent Participation:**

- We will collaborate with parents on the School Improvement Plan/School Budget. Parents are an integral part of our school community and crucial to improving our school. Parents may serve on the School Improvement Planning Committee.
- We will offer assistance to parents in understanding Tennessee's academic content standards, student achievement standards and local academic assessments. We will also help parents to monitor their student's achievement.
- We will assist students in successfully transitioning from elementary school to middle school and beyond. We will help with these transitions by working with feeder middle schools.
- Waverly Belmont Elementary will continue to collaborate with community groups and business partners to improve student achievement, career-readiness and to foster parent and family engagement.