Neil A. Armstrong Parent/Family Involvement Policy

Neil A. Armstrong Elementary understands that engaging parents in the education process is essential to improved academic success for students. It further recognizes that a child's education is a responsibility shared by the school and the family during the entire time a child attends school.

Therefore, the staff and faculty of Armstrong shall foster and support active parent involvement so that the campus and parents can work together as knowledgeable partners in educating children.

Although parents may be diverse in culture, language, and needs, they share the school's commitment to the educational success of their children. Armstrong recognizes its responsibility to eliminate barriers that impede family involvement and to create an environment supportive of comprehensive family involvement programs that have been developed in collaboration with parents. Therefore, this policy shall establish programs and practices that reflect the specific needs of Armstrong students and their families.

Conroe Independent School District supports the development, implementation, and regular evaluation of a parent involvement program at that includes parents at all grade levels in a variety of roles. Parent involvement programs will be comprehensive and coordinated in nature. They will include, but not be limited to, the following components of successful parent/family involvement programs:

- Communication between home and school is regular, two-way, and meaningful.
 - School newsletters, school marquee, parent/teacher conferences, School Messenger and home visits.
- Responsible parenting is promoted and supported.
 - School compact, parent classes, school compact, volunteer recruiting and family nights.
- Parents play an integral role in assisting student learning.
 - o School compact, family reading, math, and science nights, parent/teacher conferences, parent education classes, family library nights, and home visits.
- Parents are welcome in the school, and their support and assistance are sought.
 - Student performances, award ceremonies, volunteer opportunities, and a welcoming culture.
- Parents are full partners in the decisions that affect children and families.
 - School compact, parent surveys, parent/teacher conferences, and site based committee membership.

Neil A. Armstrong is committed to professional development opportunities for staff and leadership to enhance understanding of effective parent involvement strategies.

Neil A. Armstrong also recognizes the importance of administrative leadership in setting expectations and creating a climate conducive to parent participation.

Neil A. Armstrong ensures that parents will participate in an evaluation of the content and effect of this policy on student success. The evaluation will be used to improve and /or create practices to enhance parent involvement. This process will occur once a year in the month of May of each school calendar year through a parent survey.

Adopted on May 31, 2011, by the Neil A. Armstrong site based committee.