Elementary School Title I Parent Involvement Survey Template

This template is one of four different surveys developed by the 2013 State Superintendent’s Parent Advisory Council with assistance from the Georgia Department of Education’s (GaDOE) Parent Engagement Program. Local educational agencies (LEAs) and schools may use this template to guide them in meeting the compliance requirements of Section 1118(a)(2)(E). Each sample survey provided by the GaDOE may contain questions that are more or less suitable to address the needs of different LEAs and/or schools; therefore, it is highly encouraged that LEAs and schools review all surveys and select the best questions to guide the development of a survey that is suited to individual objectives and needs.

Dear Parent/Guardian,

___________ school is a Title I school, and as the parent/guardian of a child attending a Title I school you are an important part of the Title I team. Your input is vital in the planning and implementation of the parent involvement program and activities in our school. The focus of all Title I programs is to help eligible students meet the same high academic achievement standards expected of all children, regardless of their socioeconomic status and background. The following survey is confidential and will be used to assist us with future planning for parental involvement activities and events at _________ school. We appreciate your feedback and thank you for taking the time to complete this survey.

All surveys may be returned to (faculty/staff member) in the (location), mailed to (school name and address), or completed online at (website).

School Planning

1. How well do you feel your child’s school provides parents with opportunities to share feedback and ideas regarding the school’s parental involvement program and activities?
   □ Not well □ Minimally well □ Quite well □ Extremely well

2. Did you attend a meeting this school year where the goals and activities of the Title I program were discussed with parents?
   □ Yes □ No □ Unsure

3. At the beginning of the school year, all parents were asked to sign a school-parent compact outlining the responsibilities of both the school and parents in providing the best academic experience for your child. Please explain how the school-parent compact impacted your child’s education this school year?

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4. How would you like to see the parental involvement funds used at your child’s school? (check all that apply)
   - Parent Involvement Coordinator
   - Parent workshops
   - Technology resources
   - Educational materials for parent use
   - Parent Resource Center
   - Other: ____________________________________________

5. What would help you participate more in decision making and the overall academic achievement in your child’s school?
   □ More encouragement from the school to get involved
   □ More information on how to get involved
   □ More information about school issues to be addressed
   □ More opportunities to share my opinion about school issues
   □ More confidence in my abilities to help
   □ More time in my schedule
   □ Other (please explain) ____________________________________________
6. Have you been given opportunities to provide input into school decisions?

☐ Yes  ☐ No  ☐ Unsure

7. How well does the school encourage you to play a role in the school improvement planning process?

☐ Not well  ☐ Minimally well  ☐ Quite well  ☐ Extremely well

8. In the past year, did you participate in the development and review of the following?

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9. What ways can the school better involve parents in school planning?

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School-Home Communication

10. How well does your child’s school provide information that is easy to understand?

☐ Not well  ☐ Minimally well  ☐ Quite well  ☐ Extremely well

11. How often does your child’s teacher communicate with you about your child’s progress?

☐ Never  ☐ Once or twice a year  ☐ Every few months  ☐ Weekly or more

12. How would you prefer to receive information from your child’s school? (check all that apply)

☐ Letters/flyer, etc. sent home with students
☐ Email
☐ Website
☐ Phone call
☐ Social media
☐ Text message
☐ Other (please indicate) _________________________

13. Do you know how to contact your child’s teacher?

☐ Yes  ☐ No

14. What ways can the school improve communication between parents and the school?

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Helping Your Child with School

15. Are you aware of what you child is expected to understand in all subject areas?

☐ Yes  ☐ No
16. How often do you meet in person with your child’s teacher
- Never
- Once or twice
- Every few months
- Weekly or more

17. How well does school leadership foster an environment in which staff, parents, and the community work together to improve student achievement?
- Not well
- Minimally well
- Quite well
- Extremely well

18. What type of informational programs would you like the school to provide for parents? (check all that apply)
- Navigating the school
- Reading strategies
- Technology assistance
- Math skills
- Homework help
- Other (please describe) _____________________________________________________________

19. In the past year, how often did you attend a parent meeting or event to help you work with your child to do better in school?
- Never
- Once or twice
- Every few months
- Weekly or more

20. Please indicate whether you received the following information from your child’s school.

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21. How often have you participated in classroom activities with your child during the school day?
- Never
- Once or twice
- Every few months
- Weekly or more

22. How often do you work with your child on homework?
- Never
- Once or twice
- Every few months
- Weekly or more

23. How often do you have conversations with your child about what his or her class is learning at school?
- Never
- Minimally
- Sometimes
- Frequently
- Almost all the time

24. What ways can the school help you work with your child to do better in school?
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Parent Participation

26. How frequently do you participate in activities at your child’s school?
- Never
- Once or twice
- Every few months
- Weekly or more
27. Are you aware of the opportunities to volunteer at your child’s school?
☐ Yes ☐ No

28. How well do you feel the school creates a welcoming environment for parents?
☐ Not well ☐ Minimally well ☐ Quite well ☐ Extremely well

29. Which of the following would enable you to participate in parent meetings and school activities? (check all that apply)
☐ Childcare assistance
☐ Transportation assistance
☐ Morning meetings (9:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.)
☐ Evening meetings (6:00 p.m. – 8:00 p.m.)
☐ Access to information online
☐ Other (please explain) _____________________________________________________________

30. For each activity listed below, please provide us with your feedback by checking the box that best describes your opinion.

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Other suggestions for parent activities: _____________________________________________________________________________

31. How often do you work with other parents at your child’s school to plan and carry out school activities?
☐ Never ☐ Once or twice a year ☐ Every few months ☐ Weekly or more

32. What ways can the school help parents to be involved in school activities and programs?
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33. Please describe any hobbies, talents, interests, or work experiences that you could share with the parents, staff, or students at your child’s school.
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Please provide your contact information if you would like for the school to follow up with you about any feedback provided or ways to get you more involved in the school as indicated on the survey.

Contact Information (OPTIONAL)
Parent/Guardian Name: ______________________________ Email address: ______________________________
Phone number: ______________________________ Address: ______________________________
Child’s name: ______________________________

Thank you for taking the time to complete this very important survey. Your feedback is greatly valued and sincerely appreciated.