



Whiteriver Elementary School

Parent Involvement Plan

The Whiteriver Parent Involvement Partnership recognizes that a child's education is shared by all. The Kids at Hope Parent Pledge says I am an anchor parent. I believe that my child is talented, smart and capable of success. I am committed to helping my child reach their goals and dreams. I believe that my child will succeed, NO EXCEPTIONS! We are working as partners with our parents to ensure that all students are succeeding.

We have established programs and policies to enhance family involvement and meet the specific needs of our students and their families. This will be coordinated with the Annual Needs survey to determine the effectiveness and changing needs. The components of our plan are as follows:

Communication:

- Each classroom sends newsletters home to families.
- Monthly school newsletters are sent by the office to every student.
- Fliers sent home for special events
- Monthly site PAC meetings
- Conduct quarterly parent-teacher conferences
- Publish news in *White Mountain Independent* and *Apache Scout*
- Kids at Hope Report Cards given to every student throughout the year
- Send home student AIMS and SAT-10 results.
- Positive phone calls to parents
- Automated phone messages about important dates
- WUSD website- Whiteriver website information page
- Sending both an English and Apache speaker on the radio to provide community with information

Parenting:

- Monthly PAC Meetings with trainings for parents
- Uphold the six components of the National Standards for Parent and Family Involvement
- Provide information on community resources
- Parent Resource Center open for parents to use and to obtain information about crisis issues, education issues, and current events
- View parents as partners in their children's education
- Publish tips for parents on a variety of topics
- Provide counseling with ABHS

Student Learning:

- Encourage parents to volunteer
- Monitor each student's academic performance
- Create individual action plans for each student and keep in data binders for each classroom
- Provide three-way learning contracts
- Publish Whiteriver Continuous School Improvement Plan
- Train Parents on School Improvement Plan
- Student Intervention Team Meetings

Volunteering:

- Provide a welcoming atmosphere
- Collaborate with PAC for volunteers for school events
- Assist visitors immediately
- Develop community based and business partnerships

School Decision Making and Advocacy:

- Provide parents with handbooks that contain school policies and procedures
- Act upon parent suggestions
- Have a question and answer segment of every PAC meeting to raise awareness of issues parents see
- Engage in family literacy training
- Solicit representation on JOM
- Promptly respond to parents calling about concerns or needs

Collaborating with Community:

- Inform the community of family resources available
- Promote activities in newspaper and on the radio
- Build on community relationships
- Invite guest to speak with children throughout the school year
- Work with community organizations to give information and training to parents at PAC nights

Whiteriver Elementary recognizes the importance of working together with our community to enhance the education of our students. WE are working on building a bridge between the school and the community by creating community programs that are well planned, meaningful to families and produce long lasting results.