

# **BANCROFT ELEMENTARY SCHOOL**

## **2017-2018 FAMILY INVOLVEMENT PLAN: Family Version**

When families get involved, kids succeed. That is why at Bancroft Elementary we work to make sure that parents and care givers feel welcome to participate at whatever level they are able. To make that happen, we offer many opportunities for involvement, including parent teacher conferences, family nights, cultural involvement days, volunteering, and more. Here are some of the ways Bancroft involves our families:

1. Together with parents, we develop and revise the school Family Involvement Plan (FIP) and distribute it to the families of our school. We also make the FIP available on our website. We develop the plan through our Site Council along with input from family surveys.
2. We hold a Title I event in the fall to explain to families our funding and our School Improvement Plan (SIP).
3. We offer many different events throughout the school year and invite families to attend by various methods. Some of those events include, but are not limited to: PTO, Site Council, Conferences, Portfolio Night, Parent Education Nights for Literacy and Math, Cultural Family Involvement Days, and Turkey Bingo.
4. We inform families of their student's progress and tell them how we measure progress as well. We do this through our classroom and school-wide newsletters, Coffee, Tea, and IB, parent/student conferences, report cards, and through informal meetings and/or phone calls with families.
5. We believe that we succeed when we partner with families. For that reason,
  1. We have families sign a Family School Compact.
  2. We hold parent teacher conferences.
  3. We invite parents to volunteer in their child's classroom.
  4. We create an Individual Learning Plan (ILP) for each student with parents' input.
6. We provide resources and training for parents through:
  1. Family Education Nights
  2. A Family Resource book section in our Media Center
  3. Conferences with classroom teachers
7. We communicate with families in many different formats and languages. We communicate through robocalls, newsletters, email, our website, and Facebook. We have bilingual staff available to translate for events and printed materials.
8. We train our staff as to the importance of the parent-school connection. Specifically, we send our Family Liaison to regular trainings and offer home visit training to staff.