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Goal 1:

The Meigs County School System ensures that all families and school community members are involved in the development of the District Public Engagement Plan and Family Involvement Policy.

Action plan:

- Representatives from the community with representation of diverse backgrounds will come together in focused group meetings to help formulate and gather information for our policy and plan.
- Family Engagement plan and Meigs County Family Engagement Policy are located on the Meigs County website for all stakeholders to review and list suggestions for revision. Names will be provided of key contact persons for additional information.
- Parent Advisory Committee has reviewed the policy as well as the plan and made recommendations for changes and revision.
- School system administrators have reviewed and revised the policy and plan.
- Meigs County Board of Education will review and approve the Family Engagement Plan.

GOAL 2:

Meigs County Schools will provide technical assistance and planning support for effective family engagement.

Action Plan:

- Federal Projects Director will meet with principals and schools planning teams to provide expertise and training in developing school level engagement planed.
- Planning task force teams (parents, students, community, and school personnel) will provide input for more effective communication.
- Task force teams, along with district personnel, will provide training for implementation school engagement plans.
- The district personnel will meet with school level communication teams to provide training in implementing school engagement plans.
- The district will provide training for all school faculties on family engagement.

- District will provide training for all school employees on family engagement (Dr. Steve Constantino).
- The district will make computer classes available to parents through the Adult Basic Education Program.

Goal 3

Meigs County Schools will clearly articulate goals for family engagement and evaluate the effectiveness of the goals at all schools, as well as the district.

Action Plan:

- All schools sites will develop a family engagement plan with the help of all stakeholders.
- The district will evaluate communication practices within the system by administering a communication survey.
- The Meigs County Board of Education will annually review the Family Engagement Policy.
- Parent Advisory Council meetings will be quarterly to discuss school system issues.
- “Friendly Family School” survey was administered to determine the effectiveness of our policy and plans.
- All school sites will be required to develop a building level Family Engagement Plan with the help of community and school stakeholders.
- The district will translate letters sent to homes with non-English speaking backgrounds as needed.
- Results of all evaluative tools and surveys will be studied by the Parent Advisory Council and educators with recommendations to modify the plans to increase the effectiveness of the district engagement policies and plans.

Goal 4:

To develop an active parent/community involvement program during the 2005-06 school year at each site.

Action Plan:

- Representative from the community and all schools with representation of diverse backgrounds will come together in focused group meetings to help formulate and gather information for our policy and plan. The emphasis for the family engagement plan needs to focus on student learning.
- An annual survey will administered to measure the effectiveness of this plan.

- Findings for the survey will be used to design strategies to overcome the barriers noted by the survey including homework, attendance, and discipline.
- Meigs County Board of Education will review, revise and approve Family Engagement annually.
- The district will meet with parent and educator focus groups to identify barriers that prevent any group from participating in school activities.

GOAL 5

Meigs County Schools will provide opportunities for parent's access and understand curriculum materials as well as Federal, State and Local standards, and support positive parenting skills.

Action Plan:

- District website provides System-wide Calendar.
- District website will provide curriculum information links for all grade levels regarding curriculum and standards.
- All schools will involve community as well as parents on their school improvement teams (TSIP).
- All school sites will provide parenting classes as needed determined by input from the stakeholders of School Improvement Plans (SIP).
- Schools will provide student handbooks that include parent rights and responsibilities as they pertain to their child.
- Descriptions of middle school and high school course of study will be distributed during parent transitional meetings and open house.
- Learning materials and skills to be taught will distributed at open houses and parent meetings as well as available at the school level upon request.
- The Elementary School will offer Family Literacy Nights for all parents and students.
- District will provide staff development activities for community and staff for family engagement.
- District provides translation school information into other languages as needed.
- The district will provide opportunities for the involvement of Pre-School and Head Start parents through transition programs, Special Education services, Kindergarten registration, and Kindergarten assessment at the beginning of the school year.
- One district administrator will serve on the Meigs County Discipline and Attendance Board and collaborate with the Juvenile Court System and the Department of Children's Services.

GOAL 6

Each Teacher will have 5 conferences with their at-risk students within the 2005-06 school year within 80% attendance rate.

Action Plan:

- Getting students to attend after school tutoring class/sessions
- The district will provide transportation to largely populated areas for after school programs.
- Contact logs kept by teachers and contact person
- Guidelines to teachers for conferences

GOAL 7:

To increase the number of volunteers in the system by 20% during the 2005-06 school year.

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