

Palm Springs Community Middle School

2024 – 2025 Parent and Family Engagement Plan Summary

Parent and Family Engagement Mission Statement

Palm Springs Middle School is committed to engaging families in shared decision-making and encouraging them to become active participants in their children's educational process by effectively communicating educational goals, creating a welcoming environment for families, and establishing the school as the center of the community.

Annual Title I Meeting

Each year, families are invited to attend this meeting at the beginning of the school year to learn more about our school-wide Title I program and Title I requirements. Our meeting will be on October 17 at 4:45 p.m. in the media center.

Accessibility for all Families

We encourage all families to attend meetings and events and provide the necessary support so that all families can participate. Your participation is crucial to your child's education. We offer translated documents and interpreters, childcare, accessible meeting space, and multiple meeting days and times. Notify the school if you need other help. We want all families to participate in their children's education!

Parent and Family Engagement Activities

Based on feedback from the family survey, we will provide the following activities to help families understand the state curriculum and assessments to help families improve their children's academic performance:

- SIS training for families to learn how to navigate SIS, view student test history classes, grades and message teachers.
- AVID Parent Nights to inform families of the college process to assist their children through this process and provide the opportunity for families to become involved and to encourage their children.
- Curriculum Night – Parents will be able to speak with teachers, learn how to assist at home and become familiar with the middle school process.

Shared Decision Making

Families will be invited to many meetings throughout the year to receive academic information and provide input on ways the school, families, and students can share responsibility for student success. We hope you will join us at SAC meetings, parent conferences, Title I meetings, and trainings.

Communication

Based on your feedback, we will communicate in many ways, including our school website and Twitter, emails, phone calls, and text messages. All communication will be done in English and Spanish. Let us know if you think the communication is not reaching your home.

Volunteers

Families are encouraged to volunteer at our school to help students and teachers succeed. Call our school volunteer coordinator for more information about volunteer opportunities. We would love to have your help.

Our Plan

This plan was written in collaboration with families and other members of the school community. We welcome your suggestions to improve our family engagement practices.