## 2018-2019 Washington Middle School Parent/Guardian and Family Engagement Agreement Address of School

Washington Middle School recognizes that a child's education is a responsibility shared by the school and family during the entire period the child spends in school. To support the Kenosha Unified School District's mission, "Provide excellent, challenging learning opportunities and experiences that prepare each student for success," the school and parents must work as knowledgeable partners.

Parents/guardians and family members of students receiving Title I funding shall be involved in the decisions regarding how these reserved funds are allocated for engagement. No less than 90 percent of the funds reserved shall be distributed to schools and shall be used to carry out activities and strategies consistent with this policy. At least one of the following areas need to be implemented (please check which areas will cover and then explain in the lower portion of policy):

- X Professional development relating to parent/guardian and family engagement strategies Home-based programs
- Disseminating information
- X Collaborating with community based organizations
- Engaging in activities and strategies that the local educational agency determines are Appropriate

Although parents are diverse in culture, language, and needs, they share the school's commitment to the educational success of their children. This school, in collaboration with parents, shall support programs and practices that enhance parent/guardian and family engagement and reflect the specific needs of students and their families. They will include, but not be limited to, the following components of successful parent involvement programs:

- 1. Saturday Enrichment Programming that fosters education beyond the school day and also offers added academic support for families. Beyond this, a computer class was offered for parents that helps promote engagement with school, how to get weekly updates as well as being aware and involved in school events.
- Second Step This parent presentation delivered by school counseling staff builds a
  greater understanding of socio-emotional foundations and relationship building within
  students and takes their emotional welfare into consideration as they grow older. This
  parenting session was offered by school staff that they know and work directly with their
  children.
- 3. Understanding the Hispanic / Latino Culture this presentation will be given by KUSD staff to our faculty in the Spring that helps build a greater understanding of cultural norms, values and structures within a large student body and parent population we serve within our school.
- 4. Partnership with local agencies and institutions to promote a stronger sense of community and support such as local churches (St. John's, Day Break Church) as well as working

closely with Boys and Girls Chib, National Night Out and also developing more networks of support as we reach out into the community proactively.

The administration and school staff recognizes the importance of providing a school climate conducive to parental participation. Engaging parents is essential to improved student achievement. This school foster and support active parent/guardian and family engagement.

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