

Forest Ranch Charter School

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Board Policy - Parental Involvement

1. Purpose

- a. The Forest Ranch Charter School Governing Board recognizes that parents/ guardians are their children's first and most influential teachers. Therefore, sustained parent/guardian involvement in the education of their children contributes greatly to student achievement and a positive school environment.
- b. The Executive Director or designee will work collaboratively with staff and parents/guardians to develop meaningful opportunities at all grade levels to provide opportunities for parent/guardian involvement in school activities and in their children's education.

2. Scope

- a. To ensure a collaborative partnership between the School and parents/guardians, the School shall:
 - i. Ensure that all faculty and staff are trained in family-centered practices and use these skills to treat students and parents/guardians at all times with the respect and courtesy due to a partner in education.
 - ii. Hold an annual meeting, at a time of day convenient to parents/guardians to ensure maximum attendance, to educate parents/guardians regarding the school's curriculum, philosophy and opportunities for partnership between the School and parents/guardians in the education of their children.
 - iii. Hold an initial parent-teacher conference early in the school year to encourage the parent-teacher partnership in identifying goals and challenges for students.
 - iv. Hold subsequent parent-teacher conferences throughout the year for students identified as having problem areas or needs.
 - v. Provide parents/guardians with frequent reports on their children's progress throughout the year. Reports will include, but not be limited to, standards-based report cards, progress reports, and phone calls home.
 - vi. Provide parents/guardians with frequent and ongoing opportunities to volunteer and participate in their child's class.

3. Adoption

- a. This board policy was initially adopted by the Forest Ranch Charter School governing board on November 19, 2013.
- b. The next annual review will occur on or before March 21, 2024.