**Frederick A. Douglass High School**

**Parental Involvement Policy (Family Engagement)**

**2020-2021**

**In acknowledgement of reliable research providing that parental involvement raises the academic achievement of students, Frederick A. Douglass High School encourages involvement of parents through parent activities, parent trainings, parent leadership positions, and the PTA. In order to build an effective home-school partnership, Douglass High School will provide the following:**

1. **An annual open-house where parents will meet their child’s teacher and be reassured of their right and responsibility to be involved in their child’s education. This will also be an opportunity for parents to review and ask for clarification of the Campus Improvement Plan.**

2. **A flexible number of meetings and activities through the year to assist parents in understanding the Federal and State academic content and student achievement standards, as well as school mini-assessments and District Benchmark Tests.**

3. **A varied schedule for meetings and conferences, where the progress of the students will be discussed as well as the expectations for the grade level, school curriculum, test information and any other concerns that the teacher or parent may have.**

4. **A minimum of two scheduled parent conferences, where the progress of the student will be discussed as well as the expectations for the grade level, school curriculum, test information and any other concerns that the teacher or parent may have.**

5. **Continuous communication to assist parents in understanding the school curriculum and student achievement through our school website, Parent Student Handbook, Auto Call Outs, and Student Progress Reports.**

6. **A school-parent compact designed by parents and school staff that outlines how parents, school, staff and students share the responsibility for improving learning.**

7. **Every year, a survey for all parents shall be conducted to collect opinions and concerns of parents about the current program and to collect suggestions for improvement and topics for meetings that meet the needs of parents. Every effort will be made to communicate with parents in a format and language that is free of educational jargon and easily understandable by all. Parents and community members are always to be made welcome at Douglass High School.**

**Thomas McNeely**

**Principal**

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