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TITLE I PARENTAL INVOLVEMENT PLAN

Chief Joseph Middle School agrees to implement the following statutory requirements:

- Chief Joseph Middle School will jointly develop with parents and distribute to parents of participating children, a Parental Involvement Plan that the school and parents of participating children agree on.
- Chief Joseph Middle School will notify parents about the Parental Involvement Plan in an understandable and uniform format and, to the extent practicable, will distribute this Plan to parents in a language the parents can understand.
- Chief Joseph Middle School will make the Parental Involvement Plan available to the local community through the Bozeman School District website.
- Chief Joseph Middle School will periodically update the Parental Involvement Plan to meet the changing needs of parents and the school.
- Chief Joseph Middle School will adopt the school-parent compact as a component of its Parental Involvement Plan.
- Chief Joseph Middle School agrees to be governed by the following statutory definition of parental involvement, and will carry out programs, activities and procedures in accordance with this definition:

Parental involvement means the participation of parents in regular, two-way, and meaningful communication involving student academic learning and other school activities, including ensuring—

- *parents play an integral role in assisting their child's learning;*
- *parents are encouraged to be actively involved in their child's education at school;*
- *that parents are full partners in their child's education and are included, as appropriate, in decision-making and on advisory committees to assist in the education of their child;*
- *the carrying out of other activities, such as those described in section 1118 of the ESEA.*

Chief Joseph Middle School will implement required school Parental Involvement Plan components as follows:

1. Chief Joseph Middle School will take the following actions to involve parents in the joint development and joint agreement of its Parental Involvement Plan and its school wide plan, if applicable, in an organized, ongoing, and timely way under section 1118(b) of the ESEA:
 - *Gather and disseminate to parents for review the following materials: District wide Parental Involvement Policy, the School's Parental Involvement Plan, the school-parent compact, and Parent Notices from section 1118 of the ESEA. These materials will be disseminated to parents at regular Title I parent meetings, periodic mailings and at designated school events. Written and oral input from parents will be solicited through Title I parent meetings, PAC meetings, student-led conferences, school newsletter, school web site, and other regular written communications with parents.*
2. Chief Joseph Middle School will take the following actions to distribute to parents of participating children and the local community the Parental Involvement Plan:
 - *The School Parental Involvement Plan will be distributed to parents at Title I parent meetings.*
 - *The Plan will be posted on the school web site and the district web site.*

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- *Parents of new participating students will receive the Plan upon registration.*
3. Chief Joseph Middle School will periodically update its Parental Involvement Plan to meet the changing needs of parents and the school through:
 - *monthly PAC meetings*
 - *regular Title I meetings.*
 4. Chief Joseph Middle School will convene an annual meeting to inform parents of the following:
 - *that Chief Joseph Middle School participates in Title I, the requirements of Title I, and parent rights.*
 5. Chief Joseph Middle School will hold a flexible number of meetings at varying times, and may provide transportation, child care, and/or home visits, paid for with Title I funding as long as these services relate to parental involvement.
 - *To encourage parents to attend these meetings, the school will offer training to parents to improve student success and achievement. In situations that prevent parents from coming to the school for meetings, school personnel may make home visits or arrange to meet the parents at a mutually convenient time off campus.*
 - *Chief Joseph Middle School will provide information about Title I programs to parents of participating children in a timely manner through the parent meetings, memos, newsletters, and the web page.*

Chief Joseph Middle School will provide parents of participating children with a description and explanation of the curriculum in use at the school, the forms of academic assessment used to measure student progress, and the proficiency levels students are expected to meet through:

- *the annual Title I parent meeting*
 - *student-led conferences*
 - *Title I meetings throughout the year*
- (a) If requested by parents, Chief Joseph Middle School will provide parents of participating children opportunities for regular meetings to formulate suggestions and to participate, as appropriate, in decisions relating to the education of their children, and respond to any such suggestions as soon as practicably possible.
 - (b) Chief Joseph Middle School will submit, in writing, to the district any parent comments if the school wide plan under section (1114)(b)(2) is not satisfactory to parents of participating children:
 - (c) Parents may submit comments in writing regarding the school wide plan to their child's teacher, the District's Accountability Specialist or the building principal

RESPONSIBILITIES FOR HIGH STUDENT ACADEMIC ACHIEVEMENT

1. Chief Joseph Middle School will build the school's and parent's capacity for strong parental involvement in order to ensure effective involvement of parents and to support a partnership between the school, parents, and the community to improve student academic achievement through the following activities described below:

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- *volunteering,*
- *parent education,*
- *home support for the child's education,*
- *parent participation in school decision making.*

The school system will provide opportunities for professional development and resources for staff and parents/community regarding effective parental involvement practices.

2. The school will incorporate the school-parent compact as a component of its School Parental Involvement Plan:
 - *The school-parent compact will be a part of the School Parental involvement Plan on the school's web page.*
 - *The school-parent compact will be completed and signed.*
3. The school will, with the assistance of the district, provide assistance to parents of children served by the school in understanding topics such as the following:
 - *the State's academic content standards,*
 - *the State's student academic achievement standards,*
 - *the State and local academic assessments,*
 - *the requirements of Title I,*
 - *how to monitor their child's progress, and*
 - *how to work with educators.*
4. As appropriate, the school will, with the assistance of the district, provide materials and training to help parents work with their children to improve their children's academic achievement and to foster parental involvement.
5. The school will provide professional development to staff related to how to reach out to, communicate with, and work with parents as equal partners, the value and utility of contributions of parents, and how to implement and coordinate parent programs and build ties between parents and schools.
6. The school will, to the extent feasible and appropriate, send information to the parents of participating children in an understandable and uniform format, including alternative formats upon request, and, to the extent practicable, in a language the parents can understand.