

Carver Magnet Elementary  
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2016-2017 Parent Involvement Plan

## Parental Involvement Plan

**School Mission:** Carver Magnet is a school that values families. Our family includes, students, parents, and staff working together as a learning community to prepare our scholars for academic and social success in a global environment.

Carver Magnet is a science, mathematics, and basic skills elementary school. Carver Magnet serves students in Pre-K through 5<sup>th</sup> grade. Carver Magnet, in partnership with our parents, is committed to providing a comprehensive, challenging academic and social education to all children -- as the foundation for their personal success and the success of our society. Carver Magnet is not on school improvement. Carver Magnet receives Title I funds. All Carver students receive breakfast and lunch at no cost.

### **Parent Involvement Committee**

Romona Sawyer, Principal  
Anngelica Barrow, Parent Facilitator  
Tracye Thomason, Parent Facilitator  
Sarah Brown, Pre-K Teacher  
Paula Schilling, Technology Specialist  
June Joseph, Resource Teacher  
Kim Martin, PTA President  
Ginny Belotti, Parent Liaison  
Jessica Conedy, PTA Board Member  
Wendell Redmond, Community Liaison



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**Where is the Carver Parent Center?**

Carver's parent center is located on the primary wing of our school. Check in at the security desk and take a left down the hall, it's the first room on the left. Parents may also check out parenting books and materials from our Media Center.

**Our school shall establish a nurturing atmosphere so that parents will always feel welcome~**

We have designated staff members to serve on our Parental Engagement/Involvement Committee to fulfill our goals.

- Carver will distribute a weekly Wednesday newsletter developed by the administration, staff, students, and parent volunteers.
- Parents will be able to access their child's progress and grades on Edline, using a PIN number they will receive from their child's teacher at the beginning of the school year.
- Grades will be posted on Edline for parents to view.
- Provide programming for all parents to connect with technology through parent workshops
- Utilize Parent link calls to remind parents of upcoming events
- All staff will receive two hours of professional development to support parental engagement activities as determined by building level administrator.
- Parental Engagement committee will have a yearly Title I /Parental Engagement Committee meeting to discuss additions, changes to the yearly Parent Involvement Plan.
- Parents will be able to contact teachers via email or telephone.
- At the beginning of the year, parents will receive information regarding how to access the Little Rock School District Handbook online. Parents and students will receive a copy of the Carver Student Handbook, and a Carver Parent Handbook.
- A Parent Center will be made available for parents throughout the school year that will offer tips in the form of fliers, brochures, books, and handouts on the following, but not limited to: How to Help Your Child Study, Effective Parent-Teacher Communication, School Reports Cards, Improving Your Child's Learning, Helping Your Child Learn to Read, and Your Child's Homework. The Parent Center will also house computers for parents to check Edline.
- Encourage parents to become a part of our school's Campus Leadership Team to discuss strategies and implementation for school improvement yearly for Indistar.
- Encourage and support all staff and parents to join and participate in PTA activities.

**Carver Magnet will plan the following meetings and activities at various times throughout the year to increase parental involvement, build staff and parent capacity. The yearly calendar is comprised of PTA/School based activities each year. This calendar goes out at the beginning of each school year as a handout as well as in the Parent Information Packet and as part of the student planner.**

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**2016-2017 Fall Calendar**

<b>Date</b>	<b>Days</b>	<b>Fall Semester</b>
August 1-2, 2016	Monday-Tuesday	School Check-In Days
August 11, 2016	Thursday- 5:30-7:00	Back to School Meet and Greet
August 15, 2016	Monday	First Day of School/Beginning of 1 <sup>st</sup> 9 weeks
August 25, 2016	Thursday 5:30-7:00	Carver Cook-out
September 5, 2016	Monday	Labor Day- School Dismissed
September 11-16, 2016	Monday-Friday	Fall Book Fair
September 12, 2016	Monday- 5:30	PTA Meeting- 5:30 pm
September 14, 2016	Wednesday	Mid 9 Weeks
September 15-16, 2016	Thursday-Friday	Grandparents Days
October 3, 2016	Monday	21 <sup>st</sup> Century After School Begins
October 3, 2016	Monday	PTA Meeting- 5:30 pm
October 13, 2016	Thursday	Parent Teacher Conferences- 3 Hours After School
October 14, 2016	Friday	Parent Teacher Conferences- 8am- 1pm School Dismissed
October 17, 2016	Monday	Professional Development- School Dismissed for Students
October 20, 2016	Thursday	Curriculum Night
October 24-28, 2016	Monday-Friday	Red Ribbon/Bullying Prevention Week
October 28, 2016	Friday	Book Character Day
November 7-11, 2016	Monday-Friday	5 <sup>th</sup> Grade Science Fair
November 7, 2016	Monday	PTA Meeting- 5:30
November 15, 2016	Tuesday	VIPS Reading Day
November 16, 2016	Wednesday	Mid 9 Weeks
November 21-25, 2016	Monday-Friday	Thanksgiving Holiday
December 1-8, 2016	Thursday-Thursday	Holiday Hope Campaign
December 5-9, 2016	Monday-Friday	4 <sup>th</sup> Grade Science Fair
December 5, 2016	Monday	PTA Meeting- 5:30 pm
December 16, 2016	Friday	Carver Spelling Bee
December 19, 2016	Monday	Winter Concert/Holiday Parties End of 2 <sup>nd</sup> 9 Weeks
December 20-January 3, 2017	Tuesday-Monday (10 Days)	Winter Holiday

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**2016-2017 Spring Calendar**

<b>Date</b>	<b>Days</b>	<b>Spring Semester</b>
January 3, 2017	Tuesday	Back to School- 2 <sup>nd</sup> Semester/3 <sup>rd</sup> 9 Weeks Begin
January 9, 2016	Monday	PTA Meeting- 5:30 pm
January 16, 2016	Monday	Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. Holiday
January 27, 2017	Friday	Professional Development Day- School Dismissed
February 6, 2017	Monday	PTA Meeting- 5:30 pm
February 8, 2016	Wednesday	Mid 9 Weeks
February 13-23, 2017	Monday-Friday-Wednesday	Spring Book Fair
February 14, 2017	Tuesday	Valentine's Day
February 16, 2017	Thursday	21 <sup>st</sup> Century Night- 5:30
February 17, 2017	Friday	Professional Development Day- School Dismissed
February 20, 2017	Monday	Parent Teacher Conferences- School Dismissed
February 23, 2017	Thursday	PTA Chili Supper/Silent Auction
March 2, 2017	Thursday	Dr. Seuss Read Across America Day
March 6, 2017	Monday	PTA Meeting- 5:30 pm
March 17, 2017	Friday	Professional Development Day- School Dismissed End of 3 <sup>rd</sup> 9 weeks
March 20-24, 2017	Monday-Friday	Spring Break
March 27, 2017	Monday	Beginning of 4 <sup>th</sup> 9 Weeks
April 21, 2017	Friday	Earth/Career Day Volunteer Luncheon
April 26, 2017	Wednesday	Mid 9 Weeks
April 26-28, 2017	Wednesday-Friday	Space Camp- 5 <sup>th</sup> Grade
May 12, 2017	Friday	Accelerated Reader End of Year Celebration
May 15-18, 2017	Monday-Thursday	End of Year Award Ceremonies
May 19, 2017	Friday	Field Day
May 23-28, 2017	Tuesday-Sunday	D.I. Global Competition (qualifying Teams)
May 26, 2017	Friday	Last Day of School

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**Carver will provide information to parents about volunteer opportunities:**

- Carver will provide information for volunteer opportunities through newsletters and websites.
- Carver will provide volunteer training through LRSD VIPS program as well as school based training.
- Parents and community members will be invited to read, tutor, help with field trips, field day, etc.

**Carver will provide resources for parents:**

- Provide material to check out in the Media Center.
- Survey parents and staff to see what resources are needed the most.
- Provide a parent center and display signs for easy identification and access.
- Provide a parent information center located near the office.
- Offer workshops for parents (ex. "How to access Edline")

**Carver will engage parents in the evaluation of potential involvement efforts:**

- Carver school staff and parents will work together to update a Home/School Learning Compact. It outlines how parents, students and staff share the responsibility for improving students' academic achievement levels. All stakeholders will have input and may sign the compact.
- A survey will be provided to critique parent involvement attempts.
- Carver parents will be involved in the ACSIP reviews on a yearly basis.
- The parent involvement committee will meet with parents to gain feedback about efforts.

**Carver will use the parent interest surveys to select, plan, and implement parental involvement activities that will be offered throughout the year.**

- The school will use the results of the survey to prioritize the needs of the parents.
- Activities will be designed to help meet the needs.
- Surveys will be discussed at Title One meetings to better serve our parents with needs and/or changes as they arise.
- The Title I parent meeting was held on August 11, 2016.

*Carver Elementary is a member of the Johns Hopkins University National Network of Partnership Schools (NNPS). The NNPS School, Family and Community Partnership Model is designed to enhance parent participation and involvement in the school and community. The family model is researched base and references engagement, activities, and resources for the six types of involvement: Parenting, Communicating, Volunteering, student learning, decision making, and collaborating with the community. To support the six types of involvement, Carver Elementary participates in the LRSD NNPS West School Cluster Team.*

The Carver Magnet Parent Center is open when our school is open. Parents are welcome to visit any time school is in session. We ask that all visitors sign in at the security check in and get a pass.

**Please contact one of Carver's Parent Facilitators if you have any further questions regarding the activities listed.**

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