

## **2018-2019 Horizons Elementary School**

### **Parent Engagement Policy**

- During the initial intake meeting for all students enrolled in Horizons, students and parents are provided the policies and procedures for the school. The principal shares the parent and student handbook.
- At the first School Improvement Team meeting, parents are provided the Title I Plan information and the School Improvement Plan goals. The School Improvement Team meets twice monthly. The schedule is posted on the school web-site. Updates and progress toward goals are shared with parents at the scheduled meetings.
- There are opportunities for parents to have lunch with their child, participate in parent circle, parenting skills class after school, and Title I Parent Nights. Parents may also attend celebration ceremonies such as award's day and field day with their child.
- Horizons shares information with parents through daily planners and behavior sheets, school web site, Blackboard Connect, NC School Report Cards, IEP meetings, and parent conferences.
- All students K-5 will have a minimum of two parent conferences each year where information is shared with parents regarding student progress and growth.
- Parents are important stakeholders. Their input on the improvement of Horizons program is important. Parent surveys are provided in the spring. Responses are used to drive the goals for Parent Engagement.
- Parents have input on the revision of the Student-Parent –School Compact as well as the Parent Engagement Policy at the Spring Title I Parent Night. Parents are also provided a survey to have input for school improvement.
- Parents are provided information at the first parent conference regarding NC State Standards and required state testing.
- All K-5 Parents are invited to two Title I Parent Nights demonstrating Reading and Math Instructional Programs and techniques they can use at home to help their child.
- Parents are encouraged to use PowerSchool as a resource to help monitor their child's progress.