**Meadowbrook Elementary School**

**Schoolwide Title I Parent Engagement Policy**

**2019-2020**

Meadowbrook Elementary School will follow the Haywood County Parent Engagement Policy, which recognizes that the involvement of parents in their children's education has been proven to increase the success of their children in school and throughout their lives. We also believe that cooperation between parent, student, and school results in a stronger and more successful school.

**Parents as Learners**

Our Lending Library has books that parents can use to support their children socially, emotionally and academically. In our newsletter, we will share tips on reading strategies, resources and special events. During various curriculum nights, parents will learn math and reading strategies. Parents will also receive information state and county grade level expectations. Advisory committees provide further information about reading/math strategies and learning opportunities in the community. Communication between home and school is encouraged through the use of Class Dojo, agenda books, phone calls, conferences, newsletters, Alert Now, progress reports and our website.

**Parents as Teachers**

Parents are encouraged to use the Lending Library located in the cafeteria lobby. There are many educational math and literacy games that families can borrow for free to play at home. Parents are invited to attend Book-O-Ween where they can read dressed as their favorite book character and read stories to students. Parents can also participate in our Annual Book Swap by donating books and helping students choose books to take home and keep.

**Parents as Decision Makers**

Parents are encouraged to become active participants in their child’s education. Families are informed about the Title 1 program, state curriculum and state and local assessments. Surveys are provided throughout the year regarding workshops and learning opportunities. Parents are encouraged to attend School Improvement Team meetings throughout the year. Our Parent Teacher Organization is open to parents and guardians.

**Parents as Advocates**

During Meet the Teacher and Open House, parents receive class expectations, communication procedures and ways to support their child’s learning at home. Parents can provide input on workshops and learning opportunities through various surveys. Attendance at student conferences is encouraged. Opportunities to volunteer at our school will be shared throughout the year. Parents can attend School Improvement Team meetings to support and advocate for their children.