TITLE I PARENT INVOLVEMENT POLICY

Sunapee Central Elementary School believes that parent/guardian involvement is essential to a child's educational success and helps ensure the best possible learning environment for all children. This partnership can provide children with a wealth of learning opportunities to help them achieve a higher level of success. We understand that parent involvement requires that the school provide frequent and varied opportunities for parent and guardians. Parents will be invited to participate in Title I activities and will be kept informed about the Title I Program and their child's progress.

The Title I Parent Policy is to be fulfilled in the following manner:

- Parents will be notified in the fall that their child has been selected to participate in Title I activities and the criteria used for selection. Permission slips and lessons will be sent home with invited students.
- A Title I Parent Information Meeting will be held in October. At that time, the parents will be able to meet the staff, learn about the program, examine Title I materials, ask questions, give input and receive additional clarification of assessment information. The Title I Compact and Parent Involvement Policies will be distributed and explained.
- Parents will be encouraged to set a mutually convenient time for a parent conference to review student assessments and progress.
- Title I Quarterly Progress Reports will be sent home with classroom reports.
- Parents will be encouraged to visit the Title I Program while in session throughout the school year.
- Monthly Title I newsletters will be distributed to all students at the elementary school which provide ideas and/or suggestions which can be incorporated regularly into the family's daily routine to help develop and encourage successful and responsible readers. The monthly publication *Parents Make the Difference* will be distributed accordingly to all elementary students.
- In partnership with our town library and school library, we will provide students and parents with a list of books available at each student's reading level.
- Existing school/business partnerships will support parent involvement activities. Some of our partnership programs are:
 - Parent Volunteer Program
 - SPTO
 - Literacy Incentive Programs
 - Classroom Representatives
- Title I will send each family a parent evaluation survey. The results of the survey will be included in the Title I planning phase to be conducted in late spring. In addition, all comments and suggestions for improvement will be considered by a Title I Advisory Committee.
- Parents will be encouraged to become members of the title I Advisory Committee. This committee will meet in the spring, as often as necessary, to plan, review and discuss the

improvement of the Title I Program, the School/Parent Involvement Policy and the Title I Compact.

• Child care and transportation may be provided, as needed, for Title I programs.

<u>Legal References:</u> 20 U.S.C. §6318, Title I - Parental Involvement

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