



Cerro Gordo Elementary School

Title I Parent and Family Engagement Policy

In accordance with the Elementary and Secondary Education Act, Cerro Gordo CUSD #100 is committed to building strong partnerships between families, school staff, and the community in order to improve student academic outcomes and school performance through meaningful parent and family engagement.

Strategies and Actions:

- **Annual Meeting:** Cerro Gordo Elementary School will host an annual meeting where parents/guardians may participate in the joint development of the Consolidated District Plan, school improvement plans, and handbook development. This meeting will allow for feedback and evaluation of current policies and practices.
- **Surveys and Feedback Opportunities:** Cerro Gordo Elementary School will participate in the 5Essentials Survey each year, allowing parents a consistent opportunity to provide feedback about the school and its programs.
- **Staff Training:** Cerro Gordo CUSD #100 will provide ongoing professional development for staff on effective family engagement strategies and culturally responsive communication.
- **Integrated Services:** Cerro Gordo Elementary School will align family engagement efforts with other district programs such as IDEA, preschool, education and resources for English Language Learners, and support for students identified under McKinney-Vento as homeless.
- **Shared Communication Channels:** Cerro Gordo Elementary School will use consistent communication tools (email, social media, website, newsletters, parent conferences) to streamline messages across all programs, increase awareness of resources, and to allow parent input.
- **Volunteering & Leadership Opportunities:** Cerro Gordo Elementary School will invite and encourage parents to volunteer in classrooms, help with school events, and participate in PTO. The school will work with parents to eliminate barriers to participation.