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REQUIREMENTS	ACTIVITIES AND STRATEGIES	PARTICIPANTS	TIME & DATE	EVIDENCE OF COMPLIANCE
Conduct an Open House.	•Open House for parents to meet the principal and teachers and to tour the school.	All Schools	Fall	◆Copies of notice of meetings ◆Sign-in sheets
Frequent reports to parents on performance and progress of their child.	 Send mid nine weeks reports home. Send report cards home every nine weeks. TCAP and/or Gateway data and interpretation of scores home. Write parents a note or letter if child is not performing to expectations so parents will have the opportunity to intervene. Alert parents of performance of child's school. 	Teachers Parents Students	◆Mid nine weeks ◆Every nine weeks ◆At scheduled meetings ◆District Report Card	◆Copies of reports sent home ◆Report Cards
Provide school websites.	◆Provide school contact information. ◆Current Events ◆Important Information	All	Ongoing	www.dekalbschools.com or http://web.dekalb.k12tn.net
Conduct parent-teacher conferences as scheduled by the district.	 ◆Discuss student progress and performance. ◆Offer additional parent meetings as needed. ◆Discuss skills/curriculum needed for success. ◆Offer suggestions, materials, and information on homework, attendance, subject content, behavior, etc. 	Principals Teachers Parents Students	◆Fall and Spring ◆Flexible Schedules	◆School Calendar ◆Copies of invitations ◆Sign-in sheets
Annual Title I School Meetings	•Meeting for parents to inform them of Title I requirements.	Title I Schools	Fall Spring	◆Sign-in sheets ◆Invitation Letter ◆Agenda
School Newsletter/Calendars	◆Provide current and timely information to parents.	All Schools	Monthly	Samples of Newsletters Samples of Calendars
Freshman Orientation	•Help incoming freshman transition into high school.	8th Grade Parents 8th Grade Students Counselors Principal	Spring Fall	◆Invitation Letter ◆Sign-in sheets
Middle School Orientation for DeKalb Middle School	◆Help incoming sixth grade students transition into middle school.	DeKalb Middle School	Spring	◆Invitation Letter
Family Surveys	◆Parent satisfaction of district and school.	Parents English and Spanish	Spring	◆Surveys
TCAP Gateway	•Annual measure of school, teacher and child progress.	All Schools	Timely	District Report Card TVAAS School Report Card

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Public School Choice	•Public school choice offers children who are enrolled in a school that does not meet targets for improving achievement the option to enroll in another school that is meeting the targets.	High Priority Schools	In a timely manner	◆High Priority List
School Handbook	•Provides parents with information about schools policies, homework, etc.	All Schools	◆Beginning of school year ◆New Students	◆Copy of Handbooks
Parent Advisory Committee	•Include parents in district and school decisions, developing parent leaders.	District All Schools	Timely	◆Committee Members list ◆Sign-in sheets
School Breakfast and Lunch Menus	◆Provide parents with breakfast and lunch menus.	All Schools	◆Monthly ◆Printed weekly in the Smithville Review and DeKalb Times newspapers	Sample Menu
Safe and Drug Free Programs	Provide students and parents with violence and drug prevention programs.	All Schools SDFS Coordinator School Counselor	•Red Ribbon Week •Character Counts •Life Skills (where applicable) •Second Step •D.A.R.E. •No Bullying •Peace Builders •Cyberbullying	◆Flyers ◆Newsletters ◆Sign-in sheets
Assist families by providing programs, activities, and training.	Provide training sessions and/or materials related to homework assistance, discipline, etc.	All Schools District Office Personnel	Ongoing	 ◆Home/School Connection ◆Middle Years ◆Newsletters ◆Samples of materials provided ◆Sign-in sheets for sessions
Encourage participation by parents from special populations (i.e., ELL, migrant, etc.).	•Distribute information in a format understandable to families.	All Schools (Use the forms available from TransAct Library)	Ongoing	Sign-in sheets Invitations Notices
School Clubs	•Teachers and students provide service to the community.	Teachers Students Parents	Timely	◆Pictures ◆Sign-up sheets ◆Notes

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Determine barriers to family involvement activities.	•Survey families to determine barriers that prevent participation.	Representative sampling from each school	Annually	◆Survey Forms
Adult Education Night Classes	◆GED Readiness ◆Low Level Adult Learners Class ◆Computer Class	Public	5 hours a week	◆Sign-in sheets ◆Testing Procedures
School-Parent-Student Compact	◆To show shared responsibility for student progress.	Title I Schools Title I Parents Title Students	Sign Annually	◆Sample Compact
Offer flexible number of meetings at different times so every parent has the opportunity to attend.	◆Hold meetings in the AM as well as the PM as much as feasible.	Administration Staff Teachers Parents	Ongoing throughout school year	•Sign-in sheets •Agenda •Handouts
Involve parents in an organized, ongoing and timely way in the planning and improvement.	◆Allow parents to become members of the planning team. ◆Ask parents to evaluate parent involvement activities.	Administrators Teachers Parents	Timely	 Planning Team Members Evaluations Surveys Recommendations
Ensure, to the extent possible, that information about schools and parent programs, meetings, etc., are sent home in an appropriate language.	•Respond on a case by case basis to school requests for translations, where feasible, for non-English speaking parents.	District Staff Administrators Teachers Parents	Timely	•Copies of translated materials
Education Celebration	◆Distribute school supplies to students. ◆Provide parents access to community resources.	All Schools	Annually	•Pictures •Roster of students who attend •Advertisement