

# Morris Upchurch Middle School

## Parental Involvement Policy

**2011-2012**

The faculty and staff of MUMS believe that parental involvement in the educational activities of the school is essential to a students' success or failure in his/her academic endeavors. In keeping with the core belief held by all teachers at MUMS, the following parental involvement policy has been set forth:

**The MUMS faculty will provide frequent reports to parents on their children's progress. MUMS will conduct parent teacher conferences or phone contacts as needed.**

In grades 5–8 Progress Reports are sent home every 3<sup>rd</sup> and 6<sup>th</sup> week during a nine-week period. Report cards are sent home at the end of each nine-week period. Teachers will send individual reports from their classes as needed. Teachers shall be available to discuss student progress with the parents.

**MUMS will provide reasonable access to staff, opportunities to volunteer and attend child's assemblies.**

MUMS teachers will encourage parents to participate in school activities through memos, letters and verbal communication. Examples of activities in which parents are encouraged to participate include:

Open House

Sporting Events

Annual Homecoming

Pep Rallies

PRIDE/Awards Assemblies

Class Projects & Programs

Band Concerts

Parent/Teacher Conferences, Phone Contacts and Email Contracts

**MUMS School Administrators will regularly contact parents when students are referred for disciplinary reasons.**

Administrators will call parents to alert them of potential or existing problems with their child. If telephone contact cannot be made, letters will be mailed home to notify parents of problems.

**MUMS will hold an annual parent awareness meeting for input in the Title I program.**

Parents will be invited to give input.

**MUMS will solicit parental input on policies and procedures in place at the school through questionnaires, interviews and surveys.**

Fall Parent Survey

Spring Parent Survey

**MUMS will provide parent activities, invite and encourage parents to attend these activities, e.g. memos sent home, newspaper announcements, etc.**

Monthly calendar on Queen City ISD web page

Queen City ISD School Web

**MUMS will invite parents to serve on the School Improvement Team.**

Campus Site Base Committee

**MUMS will provide information about No Child Left Behind, other accountability issues and information about TAKS Testing to parents.**

TAKS brochures distributed to parents of 5<sup>th</sup> & 8<sup>th</sup> grade students.

School report card will be set to the parents each year.

Information about State testing will be sent to the parents each year.

**A parental involvement policy will be made available to parents. A copy of the parental involvement policy will be on file in the school office.**