## HAZELWOOD ELEMENTARY SCHOOL Parent Involvement Policy 2013-2014

Hazelwood Elementary School recognizes that involving parents in the education of their children greatly contributes to students' success and the success of our school. We strive to create an open, friendly school environment where school policies and programs are clearly communicated to our students and parents, and where we encourage parents to actively participate in the various activities and programs offered throughout the year.

In order to accomplish this goal, we have established the following objectives to encourage and promote parent involvement in school events and activities:

- We will educate parents about our Title I program at the first annual Open House meeting.
- We will distribute system and school policies relating to parent involvement during the opening of school.
- We will discuss with parents the Hazelwood Elementary School Home-School Compact which highlights shared responsibilities for student learning.
- We will provide parents with opportunities to better understand their child's academic curriculum.
- We will provide information concerning curricular issues, academic assessments, and other relevant topics.
- We will provide parents with support and materials to help their child at home.
- We will encourage parents to become active participants in their child's education by offering a flexible number of meetings and meeting times to make it convenient for parents to attend. In these meetings, parents will be given tools to help their children learn at home.
- We will communicate with parents on a timely basis concerning academic progress, classroom events, school wide policies, programs, and activities.
- We will encourage parents to participate as classroom volunteers or school wide volunteers and tutors.
- We will survey the interests and talents of our parents and use this information to better serve the needs of our students.
- We will educate staff members concerning the value of parental involvement and the impact on student achievement that these contributions make.

Dear Parents.

We would appreciate any comments/suggestions you might want to add to this Parent Involvement Policy. Thank you.