

Birdneck Elementary  
Family Involvement Policy  
2008-09

Birdneck Elementary commits to promoting strong family involvement through initiatives which support the development of life long learners.

Family Involvement activities currently scheduled for the 2008-09 school year include:

- Meet the Teacher/Open House
- Title I Orientation Meeting
- Volunteer Training Night
- Pizza Bingo Nights
- Parent Math Game Week
- Volunteer Reception Breakfast
- Eagle Bowl
- Parent MATH GAME Week
- Winter Musical
- Chorus/Voices of Tomorrow Productions
- Cocoa with Santa
- Literacy Night
- Reflections Night
- African American History Celebration
- Strings/Chorus Production
- Book Fair
- Spring Musical: First Grade
- Spring Carnival
- Kindergarten Musical Performance
- Field Day
- Bike Rodeo

- All activities will be coordinated with the PTA, School Planning Council, family volunteers and school action teams.
- Ongoing, quality, two-way communication between families and school will be reinforced through the regular use of parent conferences, telephones in the classroom equipped with voice mail, administrative approved classroom newsletters, teacher and school websites, parent newsletter, Fly Home Thursday folders, and messages on the school marquee.
- Parents will be provided with the results of their child's performance as directed by VBCPS. Methods will include report cards, progress reports, calls and written communication from teachers and graded papers sent home.
- A Title I compact approved by the School Planning Council will be distributed to 100% of families and requires signatures from teachers, family member and student.

The effectiveness of our policy to build strong family involvement will be reviewed by the NNPS action team at Birdneck Elementary. Surveys completed by faculty, staff, and families will be used to measure the success of events. The collected data will be used to evaluate the effectiveness of activities and solicit suggestions for continued improvement.