Eakin Parent Involvement Policy:

The following are listed as core Eakin beliefs:

- Education is a partnership between school, home, and community. Effective and responsive communication is essential to this partnership.

- School decision-making processes should consider input from all stakeholders, as well as relevant data and thoughtful reflection, with the primary goal to support student learning and achievement.

***It is important to note that the two beliefs above have great implications for parent involvement. Parents are a vital stakeholder, and this partnership should be cultivated for the betterment of students.

Below are two expectations in our faculty/staff handbook in order to assure this parent involvement takes place with fidelity:

**Communication with Parents**

- Grade levels will decide when to send home Eakin Express folders with school wide information (monthly calendar, PTO communication, etc.)
- Teachers will document parent communication which includes phone calls, emails, and parent conferences.
- Positive parent communication is extremely important. Be sure to talk with all parents and not just the few whose children are having difficulty.
- Each grade level will determine how frequently graded papers will be sent home. At a minimum, graded papers will be sent home weekly or bi-monthly.

The PTO is a vital component of the overall approach to reaching the school’s mission and vision. Below is the PTO expectation for Faculty and Staff.

**PTO**

- We ask that you participate in and attend meetings and events of the PTO. Please coordinate with your grade level team so that there is a representative from each grade level at each PTO event. We also request that 2 or 3 teachers serve on the PTO Board. It is very important that we all work together to reach the goals of our school.