

Parent Involvement Guide 2016-17



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*This policy has been jointly developed and agreed upon by staff members and parents.
It reflects the goals of our Title I Project Plan and the beliefs of our staff, parents, and community members.*

The mission of P.K. Yonge Developmental Research School is to provide a challenging and diverse learning community focused on ensuring our students acquire the knowledge, skills and disposition required for success now and in the future through a process based on sound research principles while fulfilling our role as a developmental research school.

Parent Information and Resource Center

Parental Information and Resource Centers (PIRC) were established by the United States Department of Education in 1995 to provide parents, schools, and organizations with training information and technical assistance to understand how children develop and what they need to succeed in school.

Florida has two PIRC's. The purpose of both agencies is to increase partnership between home and school in order to increase student achievement.

1. Family Network on Disabilities of Florida (FND): www.fndfl.org/projects/pic/index/asp
2. The Florida Partnership for Family Involvement in Education:
www.partnershipcenter.usf.edu

P. K. Yonge Parent Teacher Organization (PKYPTO)

PKYPTO is a partnership of parents, teachers, staff, and other community members dedicated to helping students and fostering planned change by facilitating productive communications, volunteering time, and raising funds for student enrichment.

Activities Sponsored by PKYPTO

- BOOHOO Breakfast
- Teacher professional learning
- A/B Honor Ice Cream Reward
- Math Summer Program treats
- Senior Presentation Recognition
- 5th Grade Projects and Community Evaluators lunch
- Heart to Heart
- Canned Food Drives
- Landscaping around PKY campus
- Fall Carnival
- Teacher Appreciation Breakfast
- Funds for school projects

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Who Can Join and How?

- Parents
- Teachers
- Staff
- Community Members

Information about the PKYPTO, including the membership form, can be found at <http://pto.pkyonge.ufl.edu>

Parent/Teacher Conferences

Conferences are one of the most important ways parents and teachers can work together as a team. Conferences are a helpful way for parents to share information about their child's special interest. It is also a good time for discussing the child's academic progress and for gaining ideas on how parents can best help their child at home. A translator is available upon request.

School Communication

- School/district website
- Skyward
- Parent Newsletter
- Annual Report School Newsletter
- Progress Reports/Report Cards
- Student Planners
- Parent/Teacher Conferences
- Parent/Teacher E-Mail

Parents may request information regarding the professional qualifications of teachers and staff who work with their child. Parents may also visit the staff/faculty page in the school website for more information about the faculty and staff at P.K. Yonge:
<http://bit.ly/PKYStaffFacultyProfiles>