**West Carroll Elementary**

**School Parent Involvement**

West Carroll Elementary School faculty and staff realize that we have a great responsibility to provide a rigorous and challenging educational experience to all our students while also providing a positive learning environment. We are committed to working with our students and our parents to ensure that each child is well prepared for what lies ahead. Students are expected to work and reach their full potential.

West Carroll Elementary School also believes that our children’s education is a shared responsibility by the school, parents, and the community stakeholders. We believe that parents have the biggest impact on a child’s education. Here at West Carroll Elementary School, we want to create an environment where our parents feel welcomed and want to be involved.

**Communication is the key to success in life; our school will implement the following:**

* **Monthly school newsletter**
* **Open House**
* **Parent/Teacher Conference**
* **Monthly Family Literacy Nights**
* **Notes home to parents**
* **School hand book**
* **Mid-nine weeks progress reports and report cards**
* **School website**
* **Phone calls to parents**
* **Parent Portal**
* **STAR screening results-3 times a year**
* **Accelerated Reader tops reports**
* **Student agendas**
* **Graded Papers sent home**

**How Can Parents Get Involved**

We believe that in order to support positive parental involvement the following standards must be met.

**Standard #1: Communicate-** Communication between school and home is a must. Communication must be regular, two way, and it must be meaningful. Parents should never hesitate to communicate with their child’s teacher and or the principal. Check your child’s folder and agenda daily for graded papers and notes.

**Standard #2: Student Learning**- Parents need to be aware of what is going on and be involved in their child’s education. Ask your child daily what they learned at school. Make sure all homework is done correctly. Set goals and make sure to keep up with your child’s academic performance. Make sure your child is here every day with a positive attitude ready to learn. Keep up with your child’s grades, attendance, and discipline with our parent portal.

**Standard #3: Partnership-** A child’s educational experience needs to be a partnership between the child, parent, and the school. Parents need to have a positive outlook and set high expectations. All contributors need to give their best to ensure that the child reaches his or her full potential.

**Standard #4: Involvement –** All parents must be involved in order for their child to be successful. Please bring your child to as many events as possible, come by, and have lunch with them. Volunteer to help with events and field trips. Our school is always welcome to parents.

**Standard #5- Collaboration-** Teachers, parents, and children must be willing to work together and give their best effort to make sure that the child’s educational experience is a good one.