

9. The **Nitro Elementary** shall provide materials and training to help parents work with their children in the areas of improving student achievement, (including literacy training and using technology) child development, child rearing and additional topics parents may request.

During our family nights, we have student demonstrations in technology providing our parents the opportunity to learn from our students. Parents received homework sheets from our counselor regarding personal, social, and academic issues. Parents receive Home & School Connection sheets and Reading Connection sheets from our school that include parent-child activities to used in the home.

10. The **Nitro Elementary** shall, with the assistance of its parents, educate its teachers, pupil services personnel, principals and other staff in how to reach out to, communicate with, and work with parents as equal partners in the value and utility of contributions of parents, and in how to implement and coordinate parent programs and build ties between parents and schools, by:

We provide opportunities for our parents to be involved with classroom demonstrations through our parents to school days. We will provide surveys throughout the year for parents. These surveys will be reviewed by staff and data is used to direct our school in a positive manner. Our Edline program and newsletters will be utilized to provide constant communication between parents and teachers. An open house is available to parents at the beginning of the school year. Family nights are provided twice a year in which parents can participate.

11. The **Nitro Elementary** shall, to the extent feasible and appropriate, coordinate and integrate parental involvement programs and activities with Head Start, Early Reading First, Even Start, Home Instruction Programs for Preschool Youngsters, the Parents as Teachers Program, public preschool, and other programs. The school will also conduct other activities, such as parent resource centers, that encourage and support parents in more fully participating in the education of their children, by:

We will provide an open house before school starts so our students can meet their teachers and tour the school. We will provide opportunities for our parents to observe the classrooms. We will provide parent nights in Math and Reading to involve parents and students in concepts using a variety of educational resources. We will have a program called Foster Grannies where older citizens come into the classrooms to read and mentor the students. Our Mentoring program allows members of the community to work one on one with students to encourage them academically and socially. We have Read Aloud volunteers to read to the students in order to develop a love of reading. Our Fall Festival involves many parents in the planning and carrying out of the festival.

12. The **Nitro Elementary** shall take the following actions to ensure that information related to the school and parent-programs, meetings, and other activities is sent to parents of participating children in an understandable and uniform format, including alternative formats upon request, and, to the extent practicable, in a language the parents can understand:

We will provide additional information required to parents of ESL students so they have equal opportunity to participate and understand the educational process. Information will be