# COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT (Community Engagement Plan)

# Community Engagement Plan Development

This community engagement plan reflects a cooperative process between the board and community members. It describes the various methods the board will use to engage with the community to address issues related to the district's beliefs, mission, and vision. These activities are in addition to the opportunity for district residents to place items on the board agenda in accordance with policy BDDH.

The Board of Education and Boonville R-1 School District sought community input in the development of this policy through a series of Policy Committee meetings and a public forum conducted on June 7th, 2023. The Public Forum was conducted at 6:00 PM on 06/07/23 at the District's Central Office (736 Main Street, Boonville, MO 65233). The district invited all interested stakeholders to participate in the meeting. Meeting invitations were shared through social media announcements, emails to parents and staff members, and information shared on the district's website. Those who were unable to attend the in-person meeting on 06/07/23 were invited to share their thoughts and input through written communication submitted to the district.

The meeting conducted on 06/07/23 included 6 parents, 4 community members, 11 staff members, 0 students, and 2 Board of Education members. There were 23 participants total in attendance.

#### **Plan Components**

The Board of Education and the Boonville R-1 School District Community Engagement Plan includes in person engagement opportunities focused on school safety, mental health, and district goals and strategies to reach these goals. The plan also includes large and/or small group targeted educational sessions for parents and community members to enhance and support students' education. Finally, the plan contains a survey to students, parents, and community members to gauge perceptions of the school district, instruction, services and resources available, and overall satisfaction through K12 Insight. All of these components are consistent with policy KC, Community Engagement.

## **Planned Engagement Activities**

The board will annually host a community forum for the purpose of sharing information about the district's safety program. (Informing)

The board will hold meeting(s) to review and revise district goals and identify strategies to reach those goals. (Collaborating)

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The board will continue to facilitate community mental health partnership meeting(s) to share information about student mental health needs and to determine and establish partnerships to enhance mental health services to students in an effort to meet their needs. (Collaborating)

The district will host large and/or small group targeted educational sessions for parents and community members to enhance and support students' education. (For example, the "Powerful Parents, Safe Students Conference" or "Lunch and Learn" events). (Informing)

The district will annually administer a survey to students, parents, and community members to gauge perceptions of the school district, instruction, services and resources available, and overall satisfaction through K12 Insight. (Consulting)

### Potential Obstacles and Challenges

Potential obstacles and challenges identified include: childcare, accessibility, participation, and English as a second language. To address these challenges the district plans to provide childcare opportunities during evening meetings and forums (such as the Powerful Parents, Safe Students Conference); make surveys available in a variety of ways and platforms (i.e., paper surveys, accessibility through social media, email, etc.); and make information available in other languages as needed.

#### **Activity Evaluation**

The Board of Education and the community will work together to evaluate each of the proposed engagement activities by providing a survey or exit ticket at the end of each event for parents and community members with questions about the specific event as well as a place to provide comments.

#### Plan Evaluation and Revision

The board and engagement activity participants will review this plan annually. The plan may be revisited more frequently at the request of the board or community members.

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