

## School-Parent Relations Goals

The following statement on the rights and responsibilities of parents describes the role of the parent and the role of the school in the attainment of a relationship that will support a successful school experience for each child.

Every parent has the right to:

1. Be treated with courtesy by all members of the school staff.
2. Respect as an individual regardless of race, creed, national origin, economic status, sex, or age.
3. Be informed of academic requirements of any school program.
4. Participate in meaningful parent-teacher conferences to discuss the child's school progress and welfare.
5. Be informed of school policies and administrative decisions affecting his or her child.
6. Be informed of approved procedures for seeking changes in school policies and for appealing administrative decisions.
7. Inspect his or her child's cumulative record and implement procedures to remove or correct any false or misleading statements in conformity with current guidelines established by the state and federal governments, or local policies of Waterbury Public Schools.
8. Be informed of all programs in special education, and/or be offered guidance on whom to contact concerning special education services.
9. Appeal the placement, in accordance with established guidelines, of the child in a special education class.
10. Secure as much help as is available from the School District to further the progress of the child.
11. Expect that every attempt will be made by school personnel to ensure the receipt by parents of important school news and messages.
12. Appropriate supervision for the child while under school authority.
13. Organize and participate in organizations for parents.
14. Be informed of educational and cultural programs available to the public school children.

Every parent has the responsibility to:

1. Make every effort to provide for the physical needs of the child.
2. Strive to prepare the child emotionally and socially to make the child receptive to learning and discipline.
3. Strive to have the child attend school regularly and on time.
4. Encourage and lead the child to develop proper study habits at home.
5. Know school requirements and procedures.
6. Speak up to prevent misunderstandings.
7. Discuss problems with the appropriate persons.
8. Work for the success and improvement of the school program.

## **School-Parent Relations Goals, continued**

Therefore, Waterbury Public Schools shall encourage parental consultation regarding school curriculum and student participation in all school programs. All parents and families are encouraged to utilize the Waterbury Public Schools' Welcome Center for inquiries relative to educational programs and concerns. The Waterbury Board of Education welcomes parental attendance at Board meetings.

Legal Reference: Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act  
10-221(g)(1)-(3) Boards of Education to prescribe rule(s), policies, and procedures



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