

*Raymond B. Stewart Middle School*  
*Title I Family Involvement Plan 2013 -2014*

**Our Mission Statement**

Raymond B. Stewart Middle School strives to provide all students with the academic and social skills necessary for future life long learning success through rigorous and relevant learning opportunities.

**Belief Statement**

We are dedicated to creating life long learners through an active and safe learning environment founded on the belief that all students can learn, achieve and succeed through the cooperative efforts of the student, family, school and community.

**Title I School and Families**

Raymond B. Stewart Middle School will involve families in the development of the school's Title I plan and the process of school review and improvement.

Annually, Raymond B. Stewart Middle School will convene a meeting to which parents are invited. At this meeting, the principal and staff will inform the parents of the school's participation in Title I, explain the benefits to the families, the requirements and the rights of the parents to be involved.

Parents will be invited and encouraged to meet with their student's teachers, attend monthly SAC meetings to offer suggestions, share experiences and to participate in decisions related to the education of their student. In addition, parents will be provided a description and explanation of the curriculum and standards used at the school, the forms of assessment used to measure student progress, and the proficient levels students are expected to meet.

**Family Involvement Opportunities**

Families will be encouraged to partner with our school by providing a supportive home environment. Based on the our school's Parents Needs Assessment, R. B. Stewart Middle will provide the following requested parent activities:

- Opportunities for volunteering
- Parent information workshops  
(Grade-level expectations, FCAT Prep, Study Skills)
- Family Nights
- Parent/Teacher/Student conferences
- School Surveys to determine needs of school families
- Parent Satisfaction Evaluations for individual school events

We know that families are available on different days and different time schedules. Therefore, R. B. Stewart Middle will accommodate our families' schedules by providing flexible dates and time when planning family events.

## **Communication**

R. B. Stewart Middle is committed to provide their families consistent and timely communication. Families will be informed of school events, volunteer opportunities and student specific information through various types of communication during the school year.

- School newsletter
- Quarterly assignment information
- On-going teacher/parent conferences
- School Connects phone messages
- School web site
- E-mails
- eSembler (Grades and attendance)
- Positive post cards and phone calls

R. B. Stewart Middle School will partner with our families with a home and school compact. The compact will specify the expectations and goals for the student, family and school. These expectations will provide a meaningful school experience with positive student achievement.

Annually, The School Advisory Council will review and make recommendations for the Family Involvement Plan, and the Home and School Compact. Families are encouraged to submit their feedback regarding individual school events and Family Involvement Plan and to participate in our annual needs assessment survey.

For more parent resources, parents may contact the PIRC- Parent Information & Resource Center at USF by calling: 813-974-5458, or at the website [www.floridapartnership.usf.edu](http://www.floridapartnership.usf.edu) for more information.

This document will be made available to all parents annually. In carrying out the requirements of this plan, R. B. Stewart Middle shall provide full opportunities for the participation of parents with children with limited English proficiency, parents with children with disabilities, and parents of migratory children, including information and school reports in a format, and to the extent practical, in a language such parents can understand.

Information will be provided in Spanish when needed. **Si necesita ayuda para entender esta informacion, por favor contact a su escuela.**