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MORICHES TITLE I PARENT INVOLVEMENT POLICY STATEMENT

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At Moriches Elementary School, the staff, parents and community work together with one common goal: student achievement. We believe that the home is every child's first learning experience and parents are the child's first and permanent teachers. Since 1989, parents have been a part of the school's Shared Decision Making team which is responsible for writing and evaluating the action plan for the school each year.

Moriches Elementary will plan and coordinate the provision of materials and training in order to assist parents in working with their children to improve their academic growth and achievement. Children do best when parents are enabled to play four key roles: as teachers, as advisors, as advocates and as decision-makers. At Moriches Elementary, parents are encouraged to participate in all these roles in school and at home to promote each child's personal and academic growth. We will provide workshops and plan meetings in order to assist and foster parent involvement. The school welcomes parents and together with our P.T.O., actively recruits parent volunteers.

Moriches Elementary will provide assistance to parents in understanding New York Common Core State Standards. Administrators and teachers will work with parents in developing understanding of student achievement standards along with local assessments, monitoring student progress and growth. Together we will collaborate and work together to improve student achievement.

Open communication between home and school is essential in meeting students' needs. Pertinent information is shared in a variety of ways: on the district website which includes the parent portal, teacher websites, school calendar, our parent handbook which clearly lists parent and school responsibilities, the action plan, our bi-monthly newsletter, P.T.O. meetings, parent workshops, Connect-Ed calls, and parent-teacher conferences.

Moriches Elementary will work with our Universal Pre-K program to encourage and support parents in their transition into Kindergarten. Working with community resources such as the community library, we will encourage and support parents so they are able to more fully participate in the education of their children.

At Moriches Elementary School, greater family involvement in children's learning is a critical link to achieving a high-quality education and a safe, disciplined learning environment for every student. Administrators, teachers, support services, staff and parents working together will enable us to work together as equal partners in developing, implementing, and coordinating programs strengthening the partnership between school and parents.