

Prekindergarten Program Parental Engagement

Brenham ISD offers a full-day prekindergarten program for all eligible students. During the 2016-2017 school year, the district implemented a family engagement program that was fully integrated into each prekindergarten child's educational experience. This program included such strategies as:

- 1) Enlisting the support of community resources and partnerships with such entities as HEB, Bluebonnet Electric Co-op and Lakeshore, among others
- 2) Encouraging parent participation in campus events, such as New Student Orientation, Curriculum Nights, STEM nights, etc
- 3) Communicating between parents and teachers in setting short and long-term academic goals for students
- 4) Offering a Family Fun Learning Night designed to help parents help their children at home, with teacher presentations at various stations to present emergent reading strategies, counting and sorting activities, and letters and sounds
- 5) Providing backpacks full of books, flashcards, counters and games to facilitate extended learning at home

In the fall of 2017, the Brenham Early Childhood Learning Center will open, bringing all prekindergarten students from the district into one campus, designed specifically for our youngest learners. This center will provide a family-friendly transition from home or daycare into a positive, nurturing learning environment.