

Child's Name: _____

FAMILY INVOLVEMENT EXPECTATIONS

Many private schools require parents to commit to a certain number of volunteer hours each year, helping in the classrooms, lunch room, school library or at after school events as part of their tuition agreement. Families who are unable to meet this requirement are often charged an additional fee. CAOS families are spared this requirement, largely due to the tremendous volunteer support that we receive from Carle's Volunteer Office and University of Illinois students. In lieu of this, we have ask that families commit to each of the listed activities by initiating each expectation and signing below. Please see the handbook for additional information about each commitment statement.

ALL PARENTS:

- _____ Read with your children 5 – 7 days per week. Check and respond to information in your child's folder each night.
- _____ Review your child's journal each night, making entries as requested by your child's teacher.
- _____ Send morning snack for the school, approximately once every two months, for each enrolled student.
- _____ Share 3 traditions/ experiences with your child's class per school year.
- _____ Communicate with your child's teacher, school office or the program director if you have questions, suggestions or concerns about your child's educational program.
- _____ Participate in Parent Teacher Conferences two to three times per school year.

PARENTS OF CHILDREN WITH HEARING LOSS:

- _____ Ensure that your child arrives with functioning hearing device(s) on each day of attendance.
- _____ Ensure that you send back up batteries for your child's hearing device.
- _____ Ensure that you send troubleshooting equipment, such as earmold cleaning brushes, cochlear implant cables and headpieces, if applicable.
- _____ Observe or participate in 2 therapy session and 2 classroom lessons per year.
- _____ Participate in monthly Parent Professional Collaboration Meetings.

We greatly appreciate your support in these areas and realize that our school could not function successfully without you!

Signature	Date	Signature	Date
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During this school year, we will do a study of world cultures and we would love your help! If a member of your family has ties to a country outside the United States, we would love to invite you to visit/ send in materials to share with us about that culture during the coming school year. If you are open to this idea, please share your information in the space provided below. These activities would count toward the family engagement opportunities on the back side of this form. We plan to spread these cultural experiences throughout the year so they can coincide with holidays or celebrations important to the culture we will study. We will have a large map of the world on display during the year so that students can see where our families have come from and learn a little bit about the cultural traditions and celebrations people experience throughout the world.

Country/Culture	Ideas for Sharing Culture	Date/Time Period for Sharing?

FAMILY ENGAGEMENT

Please list three traditions you will share with your child's class this school year, the time of year most meaningful for sharing and whether you will be coming into class or providing materials to be shared at school. Please contact your child's teacher or the school office if you have any questions.

Tradition	When?	Provide materials only/provide materials & able to lead the activity

Additionally, we would like for teachers' lessons as well as classroom decorations to support the important events celebrated by our children and families at home when possible. Below is a list of holidays and special events that have been celebrated by CAOS families in the past. Please share whether your family participates in each of these traditions and list some concepts related to these events that are important for your family. We invite you to write in other special celebrations or events that are important for your family. Thank you!

Month	Does your family participate?	Important concepts?
Labor Day		
Rosh Hashanah		
Yom Kippur		
Sukkot		
Simchat Torah		
Halloween		
Diwali		
Veteran's Day		
Thanksgiving		
Hanukkah		
Christmas		
MLK, Jr. Day		
Valentine's Day		
St. Patrick's Day		
Purim		
Passover		
Easter		
Memorial Day		
4th of July		