Eastside Elementary School Parent Involvement Plan for Shared Student Success 2023-2024 School Year



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What is Title I?

Eastside Elementary is identified as a Title I school as part of the Every Student Succeeds Act (ESSA). Title I is designed to support state and local school reform efforts tied to challenging state academic standards in order to reinforce and enhance efforts to improve teaching and learning for students. Title I programs must be based on effective means of improving student achievement and include strategies to support family involvement. All Title I schools must involve families in the written parent and family engagement policy.

School Plan for Shared Student Achievement

What is it? This is a plan that describes how Eastside Elementary will provide opportunities to improve parent engagement to support student learning. Eastside Elementary values the contributions and involvement of parents in order to establish an equal partnership for the common goal of improving student achievement. This plan describes the different ways that Eastside Elementary will support parent engagement and how parents can help plan and participate in activities and events to promote student learning at school and at home.

How is it developed? Eastside Elementary School welcomes parent input and comments at any time regarding this plan. All parent feedback will be used to revise the plan for next year. The plan is posted on our school website for parents to view and post comments and suggestions. We also send home, with all students, an annual parent survey and it is also made available online. In the survey, parents are asked for their suggestions on the plan and the use of funds for parent involvement. Parents are also given the opportunity to give feedback during our annual Title I Parent meeting, Parent Advisory Council meetings and at other parent meetings, throughout the school year.

Who is it for? All students participating in the Title I, Part A program, and their families, are encouraged and invited to fully participate in the opportunities described in this plan. Eastside Elementary will provide full opportunity for the participation of parents with limited English, parents with disabilities and parents of migratory children.

Where is it available? At the beginning of the year, the plan is included in a packet of information that is sent home with all students. As a reminder, we will distribute the plan to all parents in August at the Annual Title I Parent Meeting. Parents can also obtain a copy of the plan in the Parent Resource Center and on the Eastside Elementary school website.

2023-2024 Douglas County School System - District Goals

The percentage of students scoring at Proficient or Distinguished Learner on the Georgia Milestones (GMAS) English Language Arts and Math End of Grade Assessments will increase by six percentage points.

2023-2024 Eastside Elementary School Goals

<u>Math</u>: The percentage of students scoring at proficient or distinguished learner on the GMAS Math End of Grade Assessment will increase by six percentage points.

Reading: The percentage of students scoring at proficient or distinguished learner on the GMAS English Language Arts End of Grade Assessment will increase by six percentage points.

School-Parent Compacts

As part of this plan, Eastside Elementary and our families will develop a school-parent compact, which is an agreement that parents, teachers, and students will develop together that explains how parents and teachers will work together to make sure all our students reach grade-level standards. The compacts will be reviewed and updated annually based on feedback from parents, students and teachers during the Parent Advisory Council Meeting. The school-parent compacts are kept with each child's teacher if parents need a copy.

Parent and Family Engagement

Eastside Elementary will host the following events to build the capacity for strong parental and family involvement and to support academic achievement amongst our students.

Ice Cream and Book Bags with Mr. Jenkins - Friday, July 21, 2023 (1:00 PM)

Eastside Elementary "Sneak-a-Peek" - Monday, July 31, 2023 (4:30-6:00 PM)

Title I Parent Input Meeting - Tuesday, August 22, 2023 (8:30 AM and 5:30 PM)

Eastside Open House & Safety Workshop-Thursday, August 31, 2023 at 5:30

✓ Parent will learn how to keep their child safe at school and at home & have the opportunity to meet their child's teacher(s).

Annual Title I Meeting - Thursday, October 5, 2023 (9:00 AM & 5:30 PM)

✓ Parents and family members are invited to attend and learn about our Title I program. The parent and family engagement policy, the school improvement plan, and school-parent compacts will be discussed.

Pastries with Parents - Friday, September 29, 2023 & Friday, February 2, 2024 (7:00 AM - 7:40 AM)

Title I Parent Advisory Council (PAC) Meetings at 10:00 AM & 5:30 PM (All meeting offered Virtually)

September 20, 2023 January 9, 2024

Parent Teacher Conferences - Fall 2023 & Spring 2024

Eastside Elementary Parent Academy

April 25, 2024

Thursday, September 14, 2023 at 5:30 PM- Math Workshop: An Introduction to the New Math Standards

✓ Families will participate gain information on Georgia's New Math Standards.

Wednesday, October 18, 2023 at 5:30 PM - Math Workshop

Families will participate in math activities designed to gain an understanding of academic math strategies.

Thursday, November 9, 2023 at 5:30 PM - "Reading Under the Stars" - Literacy Workshop

Families will gain ideas on how to help with reading comprehension and reading fluency skills at home.

Tuesday, January 25, 2024- Writing for Success! Workshop

✓ Families will participate in writing activities designed to gain an understanding of academic writing strategies.

Thursday, February 15, 2024 at 8:30 AM and 5:30 PM-Social Studies Workshop (Celebrating Cultures from around the World!)

✓ Families will learn about the different cultures from around the world through a dynamic social studies night designed to enlighten all in attendance.

Thursday, March 14, 2024 at 5:30 PM- "STEMulate Your Mind" (Science, Technology, Engineering & Math) in class and at home Workshop

✓ Families will learn to participate in STEM activities as well as learn how STEM has an impact on the world that we live in.

National Parent and Family Engagement Month - November 2023

- Parent Readers in the classroom, Lunchroom Monitors, Car Rider Monitors, Bus Hall Monitors
- ✓ Parent Guest Anchors on WBNN Morning Announcements

Transition Events Schedule

<u>April 2024 – Pre-K Tours of Kindergarten (Kindergarten Classroom Visits, Media Center story time, Music class visits)</u>
<u>May 2024 – Middle School Orientations at Chestnut Log, Stewart & Turner middle schools</u>

Parent and Family Engagement

Eastside Elementary believes that family engagement means the participation of parents and family members in regular two-way, meaningful communication involving student academic learning and other school activities. This will be accomplished by:

- Parents playing an integral role in assisting their child's learning;
- Encouraging parents to be actively involved in their child's education at school and at home;
- Ensuring that parents are full partners in their child's education and are included, as appropriate, in decision-making and on advisory committees to assist in the education of their child;
- Including parents in other activities described in this plan.

Eastside Elementary is committed to helping our parents attend the parental activities listed in this plan and may be able to help those who need assistance to participate in our programs. A Parent Resource Center is provided for you to checkout educational games, kits, workbooks, and electronics. We also provide checkout of laptop computers, after a brief orientation, for a period of two weeks. It is open daily, but please stop by the front office first.

Eastside Elementary is Branching Out!

Eastside Elementary will take the following measures to promote and support parents as an important foundation of the school in order to strengthen the school and reach our school goals. We will –

- ✓ Ensure that all information related to school and parent programs, meetings, and other activities is published in both English and Spanish (when possible), and posted on the school website and included in the monthly school newsletter for all parents.
- ✓ Conduct staff development at least two times per school year on parent involvement practices and effective strategies for staff to communicate and build partnerships with parents.
- ✓ Partner with Head Start and Early Reading programs to share school information about parent engagement activities that will help prepare parents and their children for kindergarten and improve school transition.
- ✓ Share information on the school website and in the school newsletter for parents to understand the school's academic standards and assessments as well as the ways parents can monitor their child's progress and work with educators.
- ✓ Communicate with all families and the community on a regular basis regarding schoolwide events and activities, such as phone messages, social media, and flyers.
- ✓ Work with our parents to develop relevant trainings and helpful presentations to educate our staff on the importance of parental and family engagement.
- ✓ Provide necessary materials for parents at conferences, meetings, and activities to help them work with their child to improve their child's achievement.
- ✓ Collaborate with community leaders and business groups to increase participation and awareness of the school parental and family engagement plan and activities.
- ✓ Listen and respond to parents' requests for additional support for parental and family engagement activities.
- ✓ In cases where the students reside in a Neglected and Delinquent residential facility, a representative from that facility can serve as a proxy for the parent(s).

Student Achievement

Parent and Family Engagement Standards

Eastside Elementary and our parents have adopted the National PTA Standards for Family-School Partnerships as the school's model in engaging parents, students, and the community. These standards are –

- 1. Welcoming All Families
- 2. Communicating Effectively
- 3. Supporting Student Success
- 4. Speaking Up for Every Child
- 5. Sharing Power
- 6. Collaborating with Community

Parent Advisory Council

Eastside Elementary invites all parents to join the Parent Advisory Council (PAC) and to share ideas and ways to involve other parents to build partnerships with school, families, and the community. The council will meet three times during the school year. Parents can submit their ideas or suggestions during all school activities and meetings, as well as through our parent surveys and website. If you would like to learn more about the Parent Advisory Council, please contact the principal at (770) 651-3800 or complete the interest form and leave it in the Main Office.

Parent Advisory Council
Yes, I am excited about joining the Parent Advisory Council
Yes, please contact me so I can learn more about the Parent Advisory Council
Please keep me posted about future meetings
Name:
Child's Name and Grade:
Address:
Phone Number:
Email address:



Share Your Thoughts
We want to hear from you. If you have any suggestions or if there is any part of this plan that
you feel is not satisfactory with the students' and the school's goals for academic
achievement, please provide us with your comments in the space provided and leave this
form in the Main Office:
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Telephone Number: (optional)
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