

# Title I Parent and Family Engagement Plan

2020-2021

Eastside Elementary School

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## What is Title I?

Eastside Elementary is 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. Title I programs are based on effective means of improving student achievement and include strategies to support parental involvement. All Title I schools must work with all stakeholders to develop a written parent engagement plan.

## School Plan for 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. The common goal is to establish an equal partnership for the common goal of improving student achievement. Eastside Elementary will support parents and family members and will help them participate in activities and events to promote student learning at school and at home.

### How is it revised?

Eastside Elementary School welcomes parent input and comments at any time regarding the plan. During the school year, the plan is available in the Parent Resource Center, on the school website, and upon request. Parents are encouraged to view the plan and give feedback. In the spring, parents are invited to a review/revision meeting to participate in updating the plan and to provide input on the use of funds allotted for parents and family engagement activities. Parents can also give feedback during parent conferences, family nights, and annual surveys. All parent feedback received during the year will be considered in the plan revision. Parents are notified of all meetings through phone messages, social media, newsletters, school website, and/or flyers.

### Who is it for?

All students 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 all parents and family members including those with limited English, parents with disabilities, and parents of migratory children.

### Where is it available?

A copy of the plan is sent home with all students at the beginning of school each year. The plan can also be found in the Eastside Parent Resource Center and on the school website. Additional copies are available upon request.

### 2020-2021 District Goals

**To raise achievement of all students to ensure attainment of maximum potential with a focus on college and/or career readiness by:**

- Maintain/increase the percentage of students and reported subgroups meeting or exceeding on standardized assessments.
- Build professional capacity and improving student engagement and teacher effectiveness.
- Create and maintain a safe environment that promotes academic achievement by increasing the percentage of favorable ratings on the GSHS II at all schools.

### 2020-2021 School Goals

- To increase the average, grade-level lexile score by a minimum of five percent as measured by PALS, PPVT, Acadience, HMH Reading Inventory, Exact Path
- To increase the on-grade level band in IReady/Exact Path by five percent
- Create and maintain a safe environment that promotes academic achievement by increasing the percentage of favorable ratings on the Georgia Student Health Survey 2.0 (GSHS II).

### **School-Parent-Student Compact**

As part of this plan, Eastside Elementary and our families will develop a school-parent-student compact. This is an agreement between parents, teachers, and students that explains how we will work together to make sure all students reach grade-level standards. The compacts will be reviewed and updated annually based on feedback from parents, students, and teachers. The compacts are used throughout the year to support student achievement.

### **Let's Get Together!**

Eastside Elementary will plan to host events at various times and in different formats to support a partnership among the school, parents, students, and the community in order to improve student achievement. Specific dates and times will be posted on our school website and in the local newspaper (as needed).

#### 1<sup>st</sup> 9 Weeks

- Grade Level Meet & Greets to provide strategies to support academic progress.
- Pre-K Parent Meetings to provides school readiness strategies & support.
- Book Fair to support reading strategies and the ELA, Math , Science, & SS curriculum.
- PTO & Open House Night to partner with parents to support academic achievement.
- Annual Title I Meeting to provide parents with an opportunity to provide feedback on school improvement policies and programs.
- Owl Standing Leaders /Honors Program to partner with parents in celebrating academic achievement.

#### 2<sup>nd</sup> 9 Weeks

- Family STEM/STEAM Night to learn more about Science Georgia Standards of Excellence
- Owl Standing Leaders /Honors Program to partner with parents in celebrating academic achievement.

#### 3<sup>rd</sup> 9 Weeks

- Celebrating Black History to support the social studies curriculum.
- Fine Arts Day to partner with the community & parents in providing access to the arts.
- State Assessments Orientation to provide strategies to support academic progress.
- Owl Standing Leaders /Honors Program to partner with parents in celebrating academic achievement.

#### 4<sup>th</sup> 9 Weeks

- Spring Review of Title I Plans to provide parents with an opportunity to provide feedback on school improvement policies and programs.
- Spring Fine Arts Showcase to celebrate student achievement in the arts.
- End-of-the Year Programs to partner with parents in celebrating academic achievement.

#### Throughout the Year

- Volunteer/Child Abuse Training - Mon.- Fri. during school hours in Parent Resource Center to provide parent education.
- Parent-Teacher Conferences to partner with parents to support academic achievement.
- Monthly Parent Calendars of Events to communicate the upcoming events/activities.
- Phone Broadcasts to communicate the upcoming events/activities.
- Social Media Integration to provide parents with an additional form of communication of upcoming events to support academic progress.

### Eastside Parent Resource Center

Come visit the Parent Resource Center to access resources and materials to help your child achieve. Computers are available for parents to explore the Parent engagement website, educational resources, and student progress through Power School.

*Monday-Friday, 8:00-3:00 pm. Media Center*

### Parent & Family Engagement

Eastside Elementary values parent engagement and communication to promote student academic learning, attendance, and positive behavior.

Eastside ensures that...

- Parents play an integral role in assisting their child's learning.
- Parents are encouraged to be actively involved in their child's education at school.
- Parents are full partners in their child's education and are included, as appropriate, in decision-making and on advisory committees.
- Parents have a role in the carrying out of other activities as described in this plan.

Eastside Elementary School is committed to helping our parents attend the parental activities listed in this plan. Please contact us if you need assistance in transportation or childcare in order to participate in our programs.

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### Eastside Elementary Supports OwlStanding Parents!

Eastside Elementary will 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, posted on the school website, and included in the quarterly school newsletter for all parents.
- ✓ Provide monthly staff development on parent involvement practices and effective strategies to communicate and build partnerships with parents. Staff will be encouraged to share best practices during regular faculty meetings.
- ✓ Partner with early childhood programs, middle and high schools, college and career organizations and other applicable programs to help prepare parents and their children for successful school transitioning.
- ✓ Provide materials and training to aid in the understanding of the school's academic standards and assessments, offer literacy and technology training and help parents improve their child's achievement and attendance.
- ✓ Communicate with families and community on a regular basis regarding school wide events and activities, through phone messages, social media, newsletters, school website, and flyers.
- ✓ Work to develop relevant trainings and helpful presentations to educate our staff on the importance of parental and family engagement.
- ✓ Collaborate with community leaders and business groups to increase participation and awareness of the school parent and family engagement plan and activities.
- ✓ Collect feedback from parents after all events, place input cards in the Parent Resource Center, and conduct annual surveys in order to respond to parents' requests for additional support for parental engagement activities.

### Family-School Partnerships

Eastside Elementary and 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:

- Welcoming All Families
- Communicating Effectively
- Supporting Student Success
- Speaking Up for Every Child
- Sharing Power
- Collaborating with Community

### School Parent Engagement

Eastside Elementary invites all parents, faculty/staff, students, and community members to share ideas on building partnerships with all stakeholders. Parents can submit their ideas or suggestions during all activities and meetings as well as through our parent surveys and website.

If you would like more information about parent engagement, contact Chiquila Wright, Principal, at (229) 377-8441 or complete the interest form on the right.



## Get Involved! School Parent Engagement



- Yes, I am excited about joining other stakeholders to improve student academic achievement. Please keep me posted about how I can be involved!

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Child's Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Child's Grade: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone Number: \_\_\_\_\_

Email address: \_\_\_\_\_

## Share Your Thoughts!

We want to hear from you! If you have any suggestions for student academic achievement, use of funds, parent engagement activities or if you feel the plan for academic achievement, is not satisfactory, please provide us with your comments in the space provided and return this form to the school.

Name (optional): \_\_\_\_\_

Telephone Number (optional): \_\_\_\_\_

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