

Parent & Family Engagement Policy

G.W. Carver High School

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What is Title I?

G.W. Carver High School is identified as a Title I school as part of the Every Student Succeeds Act (ESSA). Title I is a federal grant that was designed to ensure that all children receive a high quality education and reach grade level proficiency. Title I programs must be based on effective means of improving student achievement and include strategies to support parent and family engagement.

Parent and Family Engagement Policy

What is it?

The Parent and Family Engagement Policy describes how G.W. Carver High school will provide opportunities to improve parent engagement to support student learning. G. W. Carver High school values the contributions and involvement of parents in order to establish partnership for the common goal of improving student achievement. The Parent and Family Engagement Policy describes the different ways the school will support parent engagement and how parents can be involved.

How is it developed?

G.W. Carver High school welcomes parent input and comments at any time regarding the Parent and Family Engagement Policy. All parent feedback will be used to revise the plan for next year. The Parent and Family Engagement Policy is available for parents to view and provide feedback throughout the year. G.W. Carver High School also distributes a Title I Annual Survey to ask parents for suggestions on the Parent and Family Engagement Policy and the use of funds for parent involvement.

Who is it for?

All parents at G.W. Carver High School are encouraged and invited to fully participate in the opportunities described in the Parent and Family Engagement Policy. G.W. Carver High School will provide full opportunities 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 Parent and Family Engagement Policy is included in the student handbook given out to all students. As a reminder, G.W. Carver High School will send another copy to parents prior to the Title I Annual Open House. Parents can also receive a copy of the Parent and Family Engagement Policy in the Parent Resource Room/Area, the front office of the school and from the school's website.

District Goals:

The Muscogee County School District will implement evidence-based Tier 1 instruction, a Multi-Tiered System of Support (MTSS), leadership development, and a culture of kindness.

School Goals:

SMART Goal #1 – During the 2019 -2020 school year, 100% will participate in PBIS training, 90% will implement 3 of the 4 Positive Behavioral Interventions and Supports (PBIS) modules.

SMART Goal #2 – During the 2019-2020 school year, 100% will participate in training, 100% will implement R.I.S.E. (Marzano) strategies effectively, based on their years of teaching experience at G.W. Carver High School as measured by rigor walks and student centered instruction.

What is a School-Parent Compacts?

As part of the Parent and Family Engagement Policy, G.W. Carver High School and our families will develop a School-Parent Compact. A School-Parent Compact for Achievement is an agreement that parents, students, and teachers develop together. It explains how parents and teachers will work together to make sure all our students reach grade-level standards. The compact will be reviewed and updated annually based on feedback from parents, students, and teachers. The School-Parent Compacts are kept in the Parent Resource Room. A copy will also be kept in the schools main office if parents need a copy.

Parent Involvement Program and Activities at G.W. Carver High School

G.W. Carver High School will host the following events, workshops, and activities to build parent capacity and increase student academic achievement. All workshops and activities will be publicized by connect ed message, listed on the schools marquee and flyers will be sent home to every parent.

Title I Annual Parent Meeting August 2019

Evening of learning and sharing about our Title I program including: Title I School, Parental Involvement Policy, School Improvement Plan, Parent-School Compact, and the parents' requirements. Invitations will be sent home, on the school's website, on the marquee, through Connect-Ed Message.

Academic Parent Workshop /Smart Goal 1 & 2 Parent /Review Parent and Family Engagement Policy and School Parent Compact, November 2019

Meeting held yearly to review School-Parent compact and make changes based on student needs

Academic Parent Workshop /Smart Goal 1 & 2 Parent /Review Parent and Family Engagement Policy and School Parent Compact, January 2020

Meeting held yearly to review School-Parent compact and make changes based on student needs

State Assessment Georgia Milestone, March 2020

Key points on how to assist your child on how to study for The Georgia Milestone

Transitioning Workshop from High School to College, April 2020

Preparing Middle School 8th Graders to transition to the High School.

What is Parental Involvement?

G.W. Carver High school believes that parental involvement means the participation of parents in regular two-way and meaningful communication involving student achievement.

G.W. Carver High school believes:

- Parents play an integral role in assisting their child's learning
- Parents are encouraged to be actively involved in their child's education.
- Parents are full partners in their child's education and included in the decision-making of their child's education

Assistance to Parents (Parent Liaison/FSC)

Effective parental involvement will not be an occasional event, such as a parent conference; rather it will be an on-going process. G.W. Carver High School is committed to helping our parents by maintaining a Parent Resource Area/Room for parents to check out materials to use at home with their child. Please contact Glenda Harris @ 706-748-2499 if you need assistance.

School Measures to Provide Required Assistance

G.W. Carver High School will take the following measures to promote and support parents in the following ways:

- Ensure all information related to school and parent programs, meetings, and activities are published in both English and Spanish, posted on the school's website, included in monthly newsletters, and posted on school's marquee
- Conduct staff development twice a year on parent involvement practices and effective strategies for staff to communicate and build partnerships with parents
- Share information in English and Spanish in the school's newsletter and on the website for parents to understand the schools' academic standards and assessment as well as ways parents can monitor their child's progress.
- Communicate with all families on a regular basis regarding school events, workshops and activities, such as Connect-Ed, marquee, newsletters, flyers, and website.
- Provide materials at conferences, workshops, and activities to help parents work with their child at home
- Create and maintain a Parent Resource Area/Room to allow parents opportunities to check-out materials to assist them with helping their child at home.
- Listen to parents to provide workshops and training that meet the needs of the parents and support parental involvement at the school
- Collaborate with the community and Partners in Education to increase participation and awareness of the school parental involvement plan and activities.
- For all students who reside in residential facilities served by the Muscogee County School District parental involvement correspondence and activities information will be mailed to each facility where students reside.

Parental Involvement Standards

G.W. Carver High School and our parents have adopted the National PTA Standards for Family-School Partnership as the school's model in engaging parents, students, and the community.

The National PTA 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

G.W. Carver High School Community Team

- Yes, I am excited about joining the School Community Team*
- Yes, please contact me so I can learn more about the School Community Team*
- Yes, this sounds like a great Idea, please keep me posted about future meetings*

Name_____

Child's Name and Grade_____

Address_____

Phone Number_____

Email Address_____

G.W. Carver High School Community Team

G.W. Carver High School invites all parents to join the School Community Team to share ideas and ways to involve other parents to build partnerships with the school, families, and community. The team will meet two times (Fall/Spring) during the school year, but parents can share ideas and suggestions during all activities, workshops and events as well as through surveys. If you would like to learn more about the School Community team, please call Glenda Harris at 706-748-2499 or complete the form and leave in Main office.

Parent Comments

All parents at G.W. Carver High school are invited to give suggestions, comments, and feedback if there is any part of the Parent and Family Engagement Policy that you feel is not satisfactory with the students' and the school's goals for academic achievement. Please send your comments, feedback or suggestions to Glenda Harris (Parent Liaison, FSC, and/or Parent Contact).

Parent Name_____

Telephone Number_____

Comments or Suggestions
