

# Dawson Elementary School

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## What is Title I?

Dawson Elementary 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.

## District Goals

District Goals: By July 2023, the Muscogee County School District will implement a Leadership Development Program, Personalized Learning, a Multi-Tiered System of Support (MTSS) with a "Culture of Kindness".

## School Goals

By May 2021, 100% of teachers will be trained on planning rigorous, differentiated instruction to promote personalized learning with 80% of teachers implementing instruction effectively, as measured by walk-throughs, classroom observations, and lesson plans.

By May 2021, 100% of faculty and staff will participate in Professional Development on preventing/managing challenging behaviors and using de-escalation strategies with 80% of faculty implementing strategies effectively, as measured by walk-throughs, observation checklists, and informal observations throughout the school.



## Dawson Elementary School Parent and Family Engagement

### What is it?

The Parent and Family Engagement Policy describes how Dawson Elementary School will provide opportunities to improve parent engagement to support student learning. Dawson Elementary School values the contributions and engagement 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?

Dawson Elementary 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. Dawson Elementary 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 Dawson Elementary School are encouraged and invited to fully participate in the opportunities described in the Parent and Family Engagement Policy. Dawson Elementary 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?

The Parent and Family Engagement Policy will be sent home with each student and is also available in the Parent Resource Room/Area, the front office of the school and on the school's website.

For all students who reside in residential facilities served by the Muscogee County School District, parent and family engagement correspondence and activities information will be mailed to each facility where students reside.

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## What is a School-Parent Compact?

As part of the Parental Involvement Policy, Dawson Elementary School and our families will develop a School-Parent Compact. A School-Parent Compact for Student 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 Area/Room. A copy can also be requested from the school office or from your child's teacher.

## Parent and Family Engagement Program

### Dawson Elementary School

#### *Open House/Meet the Teacher - August 2020*

Meet your child's teacher and our friendly and helpful school staff for the year.

#### *Annual Title I Parent Meeting - September 2020*

We invite you to an evening of learning and sharing about our Title I program, including our parental involvement policy, the school-wide plan, the school-parent compacts, and parents' requirements.

#### *Smart Goal Workshops - Fall 2020/Spring 2021*

Inform students and parents about our updated school goals to help support student learning

#### *Academic Workshop - Winter 2021*

Parents will learn necessary skills for student success

#### *State Assessment Workshop March 2021*

Teachers will demonstrate various "models of instruction" used in the classroom for their students.

#### *Elementary to Middle School Transition May 2021*

Learn helpful information to prepare for middle school.

## School Measures to Provide Required Assistance

- 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, Connect-Ed, flyers, and posted on school's marquee.
- Conduct staff development on parent involvement practices and effective strategies for staff to communicate and build partnerships with parents
- Partner with Head Start, Pre-K programs, daycares to share information about parent engagement activities that will help prepare parents and their child for kindergarten.
- Share information 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.
- 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 parent engagement at the school.
- Collaborate with the community and Partners in Education to increase participation and awareness of the school parent engagement plan and activities.

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