



## **PARENT & FAMILY ENGAGEMENT POLICY**

### **Hardaway High School**

### **2019-2021**

Revised August 24, 2020

### **District Goals**

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

### **Hawk’s Smart Goals**

By May 2021, 100% of teachers will be trained on Georgia’s Multi-Tiered System of Supports for improving student achievement and behavior with 85% showing successful implementation.

**By May 2022, 90% of teachers will increase student participation through the implementation of the components of International Baccalaureate (IBO’s) Middle Years Program and personalized learning.**

## **WHAT IS TITLE I?**

Hardaway High School is identified as a Title I school as part of 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 Hardaway High School will provide opportunities to improve parent engagement to support student learning. Hardaway High School values the contributions and involvement of parents in order to establish a 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?**

Hardaway 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. Hardaway High School also distributes a Title I 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 Hardaway High School are encouraged and invited to fully participate in the opportunities described in the Parent and Family Engagement Policy. Hardaway High School will provide full opportunities for the participation of parents with limited English, parents with disabilities, and parents of migratory children, if necessary.

### **Where is it available?**

The Parent and Family Engagement Policy will be mailed home and is also available in the Family Resources room, Media Center, main office and on the school’s website.



# Title I Parent Involvement



## Parent & Family Engagement Opportunities

### Title 1 Annual Parent Meeting

Learn about our Title I program including: Parent rights, Parent and Family Engagement Policy, School Improvement Plan, School-Parent Compact, and Parent and Family Engagement opportunities.

### Virtual Open House

Meet your child's teachers, join PTO, find opportunities on how to get involved, complete surveys, and give feedback on the Parent and Family Engagement Policy and School-Parent Compact.

### Academic Parent Workshops

Provide parents with valuable information about academics and curriculum.

### Smart Goals Workshops

Provide opportunities for parents to learn about the school's SMART GOALS and how they can support the school from home.

### Georgia Milestones Assessment Workshops

Receive an overview of the state testing which measures how well students learn the knowledge and skills outlined in the state-adopted content standards while gaining knowledge on improving test scores.

### Transition Workshops

Provide activities and information for incoming 8<sup>th</sup> graders going to high school and 12<sup>th</sup> graders transitioning to post-secondary opportunities.

### Parent and Family Engagement Activities

Participate in various Parent and Family Engagement opportunities. (ex: College & Career Day, Community Resource Fair, Coffee with the Principal, Newcomer's social, STEM night, Academic Informational Series.

### Family Resource Room

Check out and/or receive up to date materials from the Family Resource Room to assist students with assignments, studying for SAT/ACT, ASVAB tests, career, and college choices. Also, to brainstorm in a warm and welcoming environment,

## 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 (if needed), posted on the school's website, Virtual meetings, ConnectEd, flyers, REMIND 101, Canvas 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 feeder schools (middle in neighborhood) to provide information about parent engagement activities that will help prepare parents and their child for high school. Also partner with community agencies to share up to date resources available to families in need.
- 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, informational meetings, and activities to help parents work with their child at home.
- Maintain a Family Resource room to allow parents opportunities to check-out materials and use laptops to assist them with helping their child at home.
- Survey parents to provide workshops and trainings 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 will be mailed to each facility where students reside.

### Assistance to Parents

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