

School Plan for Shared Student Achievement

Johnson Elementary

**Parent and Family Engagement
Policy
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What is Title I?

Johnson 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.

What is it?

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

Johnson 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. Johnson 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 and Family Engagement.

Who is it for?

All parents at Johnson Elementary School are encouraged and invited to fully participate in the opportunities described in the Parent and Family Engagement Policy. Johnson Elementary School will provide full opportunities for the participation of parents of students with disabilities and parents of migratory children.

Where is it available?

At the beginning of the year, the Parent and Family Engagement Plan is included in the student handbook given out to all students. Parents can also receive a copy of the Parent and Family Engagement Policy in the Parent Resource Room/Area, and on the school's website. For all students that reside in residential facilities served by the Muscogee County School District, Parent and Family Engagement correspondence and activities will be mailed to each facility where students reside.



District Goals

The Muscogee County School District will create an environment that focuses on tier 1 instruction while targeting individual student needs, leadership development, and customer service.

School's Smart Goals

By May 2018, 100% of staff will be trained in Tier 1 School-Wide Positive Behavior Interventions and Supports (PBIS) and at least 5 out of 10 critical elements will be developed to 80% as measured by the Tiered Fidelity Inventory (TFI) and Self-Assessment Survey (SAS).

By May 2018, 100% of teachers will implement strategies to help student process content.



Studies show that when parents are involved in their children's education, they tend to perform better both academically and socially!

Parent and Family Engagement Program and Activities at Johnson Elementary School

Johnson Elementary School will host and send information to parents about the following events, workshops, and activities through the following ways to build parent capacity and increase student academic achievement.

Annual Title I Parent Meeting (August/September)

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

SIP, School-Parent Compact, and Parent Involvement Policy Review (August/September)

Smart Goal #1 Workshop (October)

Review discipline data and establish a reward/recognition program.

Smart Goal #2 Workshop (November)

Enjoy an evening of fun building to help student process content.

Let's Jump to it! "Georgia Milestones" testing is right around the corner. (March)

Parents will be given strategies on assisting their students with the Georgia Milestones Assessment.

Academic Parent Workshop Session (March)

Catch up with the latest resources and strategies to help support parents in student learning.

Switching Tracks: Transition activities for Pre-K to Kindergarten and Elementary to Middle School (April /May)

Come and check out the resources and games in the Parent Resource Room
Netbooks are available for parents to check out as well. Items can be checked out for two weeks (Year-long)

What is Parent and Family Engagement?

Johnson Elementary School believes that parent and family engagement means the participation of parents in regular two-way and meaningful communication involving student achievement.

Johnson Elementary 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

Effective parent and family engagement will not be an occasional event, such as a parent conference; rather it will be an on-going process. Johnson Elementary 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 Ms. Manetres Bell (Parent Liaison) at 706-748-2795 if you need assistance.

School Measures to Provide Required Assistance

Johnson Elementary 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 posted on the school's website, included in monthly newsletters, and posted on school's marquee.
- Conduct staff development once a year 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.
- Communicate with all families on a regular basis regarding school events, workshops and activities, through Connect-Ed, marquee, weekly 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 and family engagement 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 that 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.



