

Jasper Elementary School Parent Involvement Plan for Shared Student Success 2015-2016 School Year



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What is Title I?

Jasper Elementary is identified as a Title I school as part of the Elementary and Secondary Education Act of 1965 (ESEA). Title I is designed to support State and local school reform efforts tied to challenging State academic standards in order to reinforce and enhance efforts to improve teaching and learning for students. Title I programs must be based on effective means of improving student achievement and include strategies to support parental involvement. All Title I schools must jointly develop with all parents a written parental involvement plan.

School Parent Involvement Plan for Shared Student Achievement

What is it? This is a plan that describes how Jasper Elementary will provide opportunities to improve parent engagement to support student learning. Jasper Elementary values the contributions and involvement of parents in order to establish an equal partnership for the common goal of improving student achievement and how parents can help plan and participate in activities and events to promote student learning at school and at home.

How is it developed? Jasper Elementary School welcomes parent input and comments at any time regarding the plan. Parent input forms will be distributed to all parents of students enrolled in Jasper Elementary to involve parents in the development of this plan, the district plan, and the use of parent involvement funds. All parent feedback will be used to revise the plan for next year. The plan will go home with all students at the beginning of the school year. The plan is posted on our school website for parents to view and send feedback throughout the year. We also distribute an annual survey asking parents for their review of our Title I Program and suggestions on the plan. This survey helps to guide how our parent involvement funds are spent. Parents can also give feedback during our annual Pickens County Parent Action Committee meetings.

Who is it for? All students participating in the Title I, Part A Program and their families are both encouraged and invited to fully participate in the opportunities described in this plan. Jasper Elementary will provide full opportunity 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 plan will be sent home with students in their Title I packets, posted on the school website, available at all schools, available at Title I Meetings -- Annual Title I meetings and at the Pickens County Parent Action Committee meetings.

Partners In



Education

2015-2016 District Goals

Pickens County Schools will show an increase in number of students identified as proficient and distinguished learners as well as a decrease in the number of students identified as beginning or developing learners.

2015-2016 Jasper Elementary Goals

Jasper Elementary's goals mirror those of the Pickens County School System. We will increase the academic rigor, develop and utilize student data to govern instruction and to increase the use of higher order thinking. We will provide after-school tutoring, the early intervention program, and progress monitoring to ensure

School/Parent/Student Compact

As part of this plan, Jasper Elementary and our parents will develop a school/parent/student compact, which is an agreement that parents, teachers, and students will develop together that explains how parents and teachers will work together to make sure all our students reach grade-level standards. The compacts will be reviewed and updated annually based on feedback from parents, students, and teachers using letters sent home, meetings, and the school website. School/parent/student compacts are kept with each child's teacher if parents need a copy.

Let's Get Together

Jasper Elementary will host the following events to build the capacity for strong parental involvement to support a partnership among the school, parents, and the community to improve student academic achievement. Notices and invitations will be sent home with students, published in the Pickens County Progress, and an all-call phone notice will be made to parents to inform families of these parent engagement opportunities.

Open House

Meet your child's teacher and our friendly school staff. Become more comfortable with the school.

Annual Title I Meeting

Please come for an evening of learning and sharing about our Title I Program including our School Parent Involvement Plan, District Parent Involvement Plan, Parent/School/Student Compact, the Title I Schoolwide Plan, how your parent involvement funds are spent, and other Title I requirements.

Curriculum Night

Gain knowledge of what your child will be doing in the classroom. You will receive suggestions on how your child can accomplish this year's grade level standards.

Chat with the Principal

A chat with principal, Dr. Wilson, will be held quarterly. This is a time to come and discuss anything of educational interest or concern.

STEM Night

Parents and students will participate in hands-on activities that foster interest in STEM.

Book Fair

Parents and children enjoy book fair activities together and talk about the importance of reading.

Parent Involvement at Jasper Elementary School

Jasper Elementary School believes parent involvement means the participation of parents in meaningful, two-way communication to support student academic achievement both in school and at home, as well as other school activities, including ensuring -

- Parents play an integral role in their child's learning;
- Parents are active participants in their child's education at school and at home;
- Parents are full partners in their child's education and are included, as appropriate, in decision-making opportunities and as participants on advisory committees; and
- Parents are involved in other activities as described in this plan

Jasper Elementary is committed to helping parents attend the parental activities listed in this plan. Please call or email us if you need childcare or other assistance in order to participate in our programs.

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Jasper Elementary School is Reaching Out

Jasper Elementary School will take the following measures to promote and support parents as important partners in strengthening and reaching school goals. We will:

- Ensure information related to school and parent programs, meetings, and other activities is published in English and other languages as needed, posted on the school website, printed in the school calendar, and included in the school newsletter.
- Educate staff members periodically, via newsletters that include parents' comments and tips for strategies on how to communicate with and foster positive relationships with parents.
- Partner with Head Start, Thrive to Five, and Prevent Child Abuse Pickens (Pickens Family Partners) to share information about school activities and newsletters, to prepare parents and their children for kindergarten, to facilitate and school transition.
- Share information via the school website and newsletters to help parents understand the school's academic standards/assessments, to assist parents in monitoring their child's progress, and to work with educators ensuring students' academic success.
- Communicate regularly regarding school wide events and activities through phone messages, social media, and flyers.
- Provide materials as appropriate to assist parents in working with their child to improve academic achievement.
- Work with parents to inform staff members of the importance of effective communication and parental involvement via newsletters.
- Collaborate with community leaders, business groups, and local residents, thereby increasing participation and awareness of school parent involvement practices and activities.
- Listen and respond to parents' requests for additional support with parent involvement activities.



Our Commitment to Parent Involvement

Jasper Elementary is committed to parent involvement and will do the following to help ensure the academic achievement of our students:

1. Welcome all families
2. Communicate effectively
3. Support Student Success
4. Advocate for each child
5. Partner with parents
6. Collaborate with our community

Pickens County Parent Action Committee

The Pickens County School System along with Jasper Elementary invites all parents to join the Pickens County Parent Action Committee. We invite you to share ideas and ways to involve other parents in building partnerships between school, families, and the community. The committee will meet twice yearly, but parents may submit their ideas and suggestions during activities and meetings as well as through our parent surveys and email. If you would like to learn more about PCPAC, please contact Amberle Godfrey @ 706-253-1700 or amberlegodfrey@pickenscountyschools.org

Pickens County Parent Action Team

- Yes, I am excited about joining the PCPAC to help improve both parent involvement and student achievement. Please keep me updated on future meetings.

Name: _____

Child's name and grade: _____

Address: _____

Phone Number: _____

Email Address: _____

- Yes, Please send me more information about PCPAC

Please use this space to send in any comments or suggestions.

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