



WHAT IS THE PARENT INVOLVEMENT PLAN?

What is it? This is a plan that describes how Jasper Elementary School 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 of creating opportunities for parents to participate in activities and events to promote student learning at school and at home.



How is it developed/revised? Jasper Elementary School welcomes parent input and comments at any time regarding this plan, and the Title I Schoolwide Plan. Parent input forms will be available to all parents of students enrolled in Jasper Elementary to involve parents in the development of this plan, the district plan, the Schoolwide Plan, and the use of 1% of Title I funds designated for parent involvement. All parent feedback will be considered in the revision of all plans. This Parent Involvement Plan (PIP) is posted on our school website for parents to view and send feedback throughout the year. We also distribute an annual Parent Involvement survey and information received is used in this plan. A question on the survey provides parents the opportunity to share how they think the 1% parent involvement funds could be spent. Parents can also give feedback during our annual Pickens County Parent Action Committee meetings. The Parent Involvement Plan is updated annually to reflect changing needs. If the plan is not satisfactory to parents, parent comments will be submitted to the district.

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 Parent Involvement Plan. Jasper Elementary will provide full opportunity for the participation of parents with limited English skills, parents with disabilities, and parents of migratory children.

Where is it available? At the beginning of the year, the Parent Involvement Plan will be sent home with students in their Title I packets, posted on the school website, available at Title I Meetings, annual Title I events, and at the Pickens County Parent Action Committee meetings.



What is Title I?

Jasper Elementary School is identified as a Title I school as part of the Every Student Succeeds Act (ESSA). 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.

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2017-18 District Goals

The district goals for 2017-2018 focus on improving student achievement in all core content areas (ELA, Math, Science and Social Studies) and supporting all levels of learners.

Goal 1: Increase student achievement as reflected on CCRPI by 3% of the gap each year from the baseline year per the Strategic Waiver.

Goal 2: Provide instructional strategies focused on mastery of content through professional learning opportunities designed to address all levels of learners.

2017-18 JES Goals

Jasper Elementary School's Improvement Team, teachers, and administrators have analyzed data to decide the most important areas of improvement for our school.

ELA – To increase K-5 literacy proficiency:
✓ Reading fluency (K-2)
✓ Reading comprehension (3-5)

Math – To increase K-5 math skills:
✓ Number sense
✓ Problem solving skills.

All Content Areas- To increase K-5 Writing Strategies:
✓ Narrative writing

Our Commitment to Parent Involvement

Jasper Elementary School 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 students' success
4. Advocate for each child
5. Partner with parents
6. Collaborate with our community

LET’S GET TOGETHER!

Jasper Elementary School 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, posted on Facebook, and transmitted via an all-call phone notice to inform families of these parent engagement opportunities.



- Open House: Parents and students are able to meet their teacher and briefly learn about grade-level expectations.
- Annual Title I Meeting: Parents learn about Title I and Schoolwide Programs, the Georgia Standards of Excellence, the Georgia Milestones Assessment, our Title I Program including our School Improvement Plan, Parent/School/Student Compact, Title I Schoolwide Plan, and how the 1% parent involvement funds are spent, and other Title I requirements. This meeting will be held on September 26, 2017.
- STEM Night: Parents and students enjoy activities that incorporate science, technology, engineering, and math. Parents and students experience firsthand the fun and excitement of math and science enabling families to continue the learning at home.
- Curriculum Night: Parents are provided information on grade-level expectations and assessments that students will be given throughout the year to assess the state standards of Georgia. During curriculum nights, teachers will help parents interpret and set goals for reading and math based on current individual student assessment data results.
- Book Fair: Parents and children enjoy book fair activities together and talk about the importance of reading.
- Meetings will be held at flexible times such as in the mornings and evenings to accommodate all families who want to participate.
- Information will be distributed through various formats such as: online media, newsletters, flyers, in-person group meetings to provide parents with strategies to support student academic achievement.

NEED ASSISTANCE?

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

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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.
- ✓ Parents are involved in other activities as described in this plan.

TEACH
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PRAISE
influence
GUIDE
INSPIRE

PARENT ACTION COMMITTEE

The Pickens County School System along with Jasper Elementary School 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, family, and the community. The committee will meet twice yearly, but parents may submit their ideas and suggestions during activities and meetings as well through parent surveys and email. If you would like to learn more about PCPAC, please call Dr. Wilds at 706-253-1730 or email at davidwilds@pickenscountyschools.org .



JASPER ELEMENTARY SCHOOL IS REACHING OUT

Jasper Elementary School will take the following measures to promote and support parents as important partners in ensuring children achieve the challenging state academic standards.

We will:

- Ensure information related to school and parent programs, meetings, and other activities is published in English and other languages as needed, in language and format that is understandable, is posted on the school website, and is included in grade level newsletters.
- Educate teachers, pupil services personnel, principals, and other staff (with the assistance of parents) in the value and utility of contributions of parents and in how to reach out to, communicate with, and work with parents as equal partners, implement and coordinate parent programs, and build ties between home and school.
- Partner with Head Start and Prevent Child Abuse Pickens (Pickens Family Partners) to share information about school activities and newsletters, to prepare parents and their children for kindergarten, and to facilitate 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, school website, and/or 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 and staff meetings.
- Collaborate with community leaders, business groups, and local residents to increase participation and awareness of school-parent involvement practices and activities.
- Listen and respond to parents' requests for additional support with parent involvement activities.

SCHOOL-PARENT-STUDENT COMPACT

As part of this plan, Jasper Elementary School and our parents will develop a school/parent/student compact, which is an agreement that parents, teachers, and students will develop collaboratively. The compact explains how parents and teachers will work together to help all students in achieving grade-level standards. The compacts will be reviewed and updated annually based on feedback from parents, students, and teachers through meetings and survey opportunities.



SUGGESTION FORM



Please use this space to submit comments or suggestions.

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