

PARENT AND FAMILY ENGAGEMENT POLICY AND PLAN FOR SHARED STUDENT SUCCESS

2022-2023 SCHOOL YEAR



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WHAT IS TITLE I?

Lyman Hall Elementary is identified as a Title I school as part of Every Student Succeeds Act (ESSA).

Title I is designed to support State and local school reform efforts tied to challenging State academic standards 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 family engagement.

All Title I schools must jointly develop with all parents and family members a written parent and family engagement policy.

SCHOOL PLAN FOR SHARED STUDENT ACHIEVEMENT

What is it?

This is a plan that describes how Lyman Hall Elementary will provide opportunities to improve family engagement to support student learning. Lyman Hall Elementary values the contributions and involvement of parents and family members to establish an equal partnership for the common goal of improving student achievement. This plan describes the different ways that Lyman Hall Elementary will support family engagement and how parents can help plan and participate in activities and events to promote student learning at school and at home.

How is it revised?

Lyman Hall Elementary invites all parents to attend an annual parent and family engagement input meeting, in the spring, to review and revise this parent and family engagement policy, as well as the school/district comprehensive needs assessment, school/district improvement plans, school-parent compact, and the parent and family engagement budget. Additionally, our school welcomes parent input and comments at any time during the school year regarding this plan. All parent feedback received during the school year will be used to revise the plan for the next school year. The plan is posted on our school website for parents to view and post feedback throughout the year. We also distribute an annual survey online and make paper copies available for their suggestions on the plan and the use of funds for family engagement. Parent and family members can also give feedback during several parent meetings and activities during the school year.

Who is it for?

All students participating in the Title I, Part A program, and their families, are encouraged and invited to fully participate in the opportunities described in this plan. Lyman Hall Elementary will provide full opportunity for the participation of parents and family members with limited English, parents with disabilities, and parents of migratory children.

Where is it available?

At the beginning of the year, after revision, the plan is posted on the school's website, shared through Remind, presented at the Annual Title I meeting, and paper copies are provided in the school's front office.

PARENT INVOLVEMENT PROGRAM AND ACTIVITIES

Lyman Hall Elementary will host the following events to build the capacity for strong family engagement to support a partnership among the school, parents, and the community to improve student academic achievement. The dates and topics for 2022- 2023 are:

- **August 4, 3:00pm - 6:00pm, Open House:** Meet your child's teacher, school personnel and receive helpful information about our school.
- **October to November, 8:00am-3:30pm, Parent Teacher Conferences K-5th:** Learn about curriculum, expectations, and how to support your child at home.
- **October 19, 10:00am & 6:00pm, Title I Annual Meeting:** We invite you to a session of learning and sharing about our Title I program including our parent and family engagement involvement policy, the school wide plan, the school-parent compacts and the parents' requirements as well as how Title I funds are being used.
- **November 9, 6:00pm, Parent Workshop:** Literacy and math skills for grades K to 2nd.
- **January 11, 6:00pm, Parent Workshop:** Literacy and math skills for grades 3rd to 5th.
- **February 22, 6:00 pm, Parent Workshop:** Strategies parents can use to support and monitor their child's academic progress.
- **February to March, 8:00am - 3:30 pm, Parent Teacher Conferences K-5th:** Learn about curriculum, expectations, and how to support your child at home.
- **March 29, 6:00pm pm, Parent Workshop:** How to better prepare for Georgia Milestones Testing in mathematics and literacy for grades 3rd to 5th.
- **April 12, 10:00am & 6:00 pm, Title I Parent and Family Input Meeting:** We invite you to a session where parents, families and stakeholders give input to the SIP, CNA, School-Parent Compact, Parent and Family Engagement Policy, and family engagement budget.
- **April 19, 6:00pm, Rising Kindergarten Curriculum Night:** The purpose of curriculum night is for parents and guardians to meet with classroom teachers to learn about grade level curriculum and expectations for the school year.

2022-2023 SCHOOL GOALS

Goal 1: Lyman Hall will increase the combined percentage of students in "Proficient" and "Distinguished" levels of performance on the Georgia Milestones Assessments by 2%.

Goal 2: Lyman Hall will increase the percentage of students who have a trusted adult by 5.3% (89.7 to 95%) based on students' SEL surveys.

2022-2023 DISTRICT GOALS

Goal 1: By the end of FY23, the percentage of students in each subgroup moving into the "Proficient" and "Distinguished" levels of performance on the Georgia Milestones Assessments will increase by 2% in the "Proficient" and "Distinguished" levels of performance.

Goal 2: Increase the percentage of referred students who access school-based mental health services by 2% each year (with FY21 being the baseline year) to decrease the number of OSS days in grades 6-12.

SCHOOL-PARENT COMPACTS

As part of this plan, Lyman Hall Elementary and our families will develop a school-parent 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 during the parent input meeting. The school-parent compacts are shared through the annual Title I meeting, Remind, and posted on the school website. Also, the school-parent compacts are kept in the main office if parents need another copy.

SCHOOL MEASURES TO PROVIDE REQUIRED ASSISTANCE

Lyman Hall Elementary will take the following measures to promote and support parents and family members as an important foundation of the school to strengthen the school and reach our school goals:

- Provide curriculum nights during the school year to explain Common Core Standards, Assessments, as well as how to monitor student's progress.
- Lyman Hall will provide math and literacy workshops. These workshops will teach parents skills they will need to help their children become successful in school.
- Partner with Head Start through the District Parent Outreach Facilitator. The District Parent Outreach Facilitator meets with parents providing information and resources to support school orientation for parents and students to assist in successful student transition to kindergarten.
- An opinion survey is conducted annually by Title I Parent Outreach Facilitator to assess parental participation in school events and satisfaction with the school in general. We also collect feedback throughout the school year and all this information is analyzed and included in our school improvement plan, parent and family engagement policy, and school-parent compact.
- School performance is posted on the Hall County Schools website and on the Georgia Department of Education website. Individual assessment results are communicated to parents through report cards each nine weeks' period. Test results for standardized tests are sent as soon as received.
- The parent liaison will assist the school's personnel with all needs, included but not limited to interpretations, phone calls, parent engagement activities, school council meetings, and they are always searching for creative ways to improve parent and family engagement.
- All documents sent home are translated in Spanish; interpreters are available during the school day, at special meetings and workshops. Translation Equipment is also used for interpretation purposes. Notices of meetings are also sent via remind.
- A School-Parent Compact summarizes the shared responsibility for student success among parents, teachers, and students. This document is shared at the Title I Annual Meeting, sent through Remind and posted on the school's website.
- The School Improvement Plan is on file at the school for reference and is presented at the Title I Annual meeting. The system website contains information on adopted curriculum: Balanced Literacy and Common Core Georgia Performance Standards (CCGPS).
- Lyman Hall provides training for school staff during Staff Development Meetings on strategies to enhance parent communication and outreach. Staff will also share best practices during regularly scheduled faculty meetings.
- Collaboration with Boys and Girls Club to assist parents and families through literacy, parenting, and computer training.
- Participate in Canvas professional development modules at least 4 times a year to educate the staff on parent involvement and parent engagement.
- Teachers and support staff work directly with middle school staff to promote opportunities for parent nights and schoolwide tours.

PARENT AND FAMILY ENGAGEMENT

Lyman Hall Elementary believes that family engagement means the involvement of parents and family members in regular and meaningful two-way communication involving student academic learning and other school activities, including ensuring:

- That parents play an integral role in assisting their child's learning.
- That parents are encouraged to be actively involved in their child's education at school.
- That parents are full partners in their child's education and are included, as appropriate, in decision-making and on advisory committees to assist in the education of their child.

PARENT RESOURCE CENTER

Come visit our Parent Resource Center to check out books, study materials, and activities to use at home with your child. Computers are available for parents to explore the parent portal and educational resources.

Monday to Friday, 8:30 am – 2:30 pm

Lyman Hall Elementary is committed to helping our parents and families attend the family activities listed in this plan. Please call or email us if you need assistance with childcare or transportation in order to participate in our programs.

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PARENT AND FAMILY ENGAGEMENT STANDARDS

Lyman Hall Elementary and our parents have adopted the National PTA Standards for Family-School Partnerships as the school's model in engaging parents, students, and the community. These standards are:

- Welcoming all families
- Communicating effectively
- Supporting student success
- Speaking up for every Child
- Sharing power
- Collaborating with community

SCHOOL COMMUNITY TEAM

Lyman Hall Elementary invites all parents to join the School Community Team that we call our School Council to share ideas and ways to involve other parents and family members to build partnerships with the school, families, and the community. The team will meet four times during the school year via zoom, but parents and family members can also submit their ideas or suggestions at any time. If you would like to learn more about the School Council, please contact the principal, Angel Rodriguez at 770-534-7044 or complete the interest form and leave it in the Main Office.



SCHOOL COMMUNITY TEAM

- ☐ Yes, I am excited about joining the School Community Team.
- ☐ Yes, please contact me so I can learn more about the.
- ☐ Team Please send me notifications about future meetings and updates.

Name:

Students' name and grade:

Address:

Phone number:

Email address:

SHARE YOUR THOUGHTS

We want to hear from you. If you have any suggestions or if there is any part of this plan that you feel is not satisfactory with the students' and the school's goals for academic achievement, please provide us with your comments in the space provided and leave this form in the Main Office:

Name: (optional)

Telephone number: (optional)


