



Parent and Family Engagement Plan for Shared Student Success

2019-2020 School Year

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What is Title I?

Shirley Hills Elementary 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 reform efforts tied to the challenging State academic standards 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 parents and family members a written parent and family engagement policy.

SHES Plan for Shared Student Success

What is it?

The Shirley Hills Elementary Parent and Family Engagement Plan describes how are school will improve family engagement to support student learning. Shirley Hills Elementary values the involvement and contributions of parents and family members to establish an equal partnership with a common goal of improving student achievement. This plan describes the different ways Shirley Hills Elementary will support family engagement and how parents can help plan and participate in events and activities to promote student learning at home and school.

How is it revised?

Shirley Hills Elementary welcomes input at any time during the school year. Event Surveys are reviewed to help improve future activities. The Annual Title I Parent and Family Satisfaction Survey gives parents the opportunity to give feedback on the year's events, required notifications, budget and communication. All Families are invited to attend the annual Shared Decision Making Meeting held every spring. Families are asked to give feedback on their review of the Title I documents (School-Wide Plan, Grade Level Compacts, Engagement Plan and budget including the 1% set aside). Parents who are unable to attend the meeting can request copies of the materials be sent home for review. All feedback is considered when planning for the next school year. Negative comments regarding the School wide Plan are forwarded to the district.

Who is it for?

All students and their families participating in a Title I, Part A program are encouraged and invited to participate in the opportunities described in this plan.

Where is it available?

At the beginning of the school year or upon entering Shirley Hills all students will receive a Title I Handbook. Copies of the Plan are available in the Parent Resource Center and Front Office. In addition, the Plan is on our School Website.



2019-2020 District Goals

- Increase the value of the overall district College and Career Ready Performance Index (CCRPI) score by 3% focusing on literacy, high quality standards based instruction and Multi-Tier System of Supports.
- Increase the percentage of parents who feel their child's school provides various opportunities for engagement.

2019-2020 School Goals

- All K-5 graders will advance to the next grade in the fall of 2020 reading on grade level in fluency, comprehension and collaboration, and vocabulary acquisition use.
- All K-5 grade students will increase their writing fluency.
- All students in grades K-5th will be able to perform basic math operation such as addition, subtraction, multiplication and /or division and score level 2 or higher on the GMAS.

School-Parent Compacts

As part of this plan, Shirley Hills Elementary staff and families will develop school-parent grade level compacts. This is an agreement that parents, teachers, and students will develop that explains how parents and teachers will work together to make sure all students reach grade-level standards. The grade-level compacts are reviewed and updated yearly based on feedback from parents, students, and teachers during the Shared Decision Making Meetings held every spring. The grade-level compacts are shared with parents during parent-teacher conferences and signed copies are kept with each child's teacher.

Let's Get Together!

Shirley Hills Elementary will have the following events to encourage strong parental engagement that supports a strong partnership between the school, parents, and community. This partnership will help to ensure every student reaches or exceeds academic achievement.

Annual Title I Meeting- Parents are invited to an evening of learning and sharing about our Title I program which includes an overview of our Parent Engagement Plan, the School-Wide Plan, and the School-Parent Compact. Parents are notified of upcoming events through school-wide email, the telephone messaging system, and an invitation sent home through every student.

Parent Learning Lunches- Parents will leave with a better understanding of how to help their child at home by learning and applying the same strategies students use to help them in math, reading, language arts, science, social studies, and writing.

Parent Learning Nights- Parents will leave with a better understanding of how to help their child at home by learning and applying the same strategies students use to help them in math, reading, language arts, science, social studies, and writing.

Shared Decision Making Parent Meeting- Families are invited to review our Parent Engagement Plan, Family-School Compact, and Title I School-Wide Plan every Spring. Parents are encouraged to make suggestions or comments to help create or update the following school years' plan. Parents will be notified of the event by school-wide email, telephone-messaging system, school website, and an invitation sent home through the student.

State Testing Information- Families are notified of ways to help their student meet or exceed on the Georgia Milestones State Assessment through the school website, Class Dojo, Parent Lunch and Learns, Parent Learning Nights, Math Newsletters, and the Georgia Department of Education (GADOE) Website.

Parent Resource Center

Please visit the Parent Resource Center located in the front lobby of the school. The resource center has books for checkout, Title I information, Parent Learning Lunches/Nights Handouts, Community Information, School Newsletters, and Learning Tips/activities to use at home to help your child with learning.

Monday-Friday from 8:00am-4:00pm

Front Lobby

Parent and Family Engagement

Shirley Hills Elementary believes family engagement means the participation of parents and family members in meaningful and regular communication involving student academic learning and other school activities, including ensuring:

- Parents play a bigger part in assisting their child with learning.
- Parents are encouraged to become actively involved in their child's education at school.
- Parents are partners in their child's education and are included when appropriate, in decision-making and on advisory committees to assist in the education of their child.



Shirley Hills Elementary is Informing Parents!

Shirley Hills Elementary will take the following measures to support and promote parents as an important foundation of the school in order to strengthen the school and reach school goals. We will:

- Ensure all families receive information regarding school and parent programs, meetings, and other activities published in an understandable language posted on the school website, and included in school newsletters.
- Conduct four staff development trainings per year on parent and family engagement and communication practices to build a partnership with parents.
- Share information with Early Daycare Centers to help prepare parents and their children for a successful Kindergarten transition.
- Partner with community leaders and business leaders to enhance our relationship concerning Family Engagement.
- Provide Parents information on the school website, school newsletter, academic standards, assessment information, and ways parents can monitor their child's progress in an understandable language.
- Provide necessary handouts and materials at conferences, meetings, and activities to help parents work with their child to improve achievement.
- Collaborate with leaders of the community and business groups to increase participation and awareness of the SHES parent engagement plan and activities.
- Respond and listen to parents' requests for additional parental engagement activities and support.
- Collect feedback from parent and family members' at all academic events in order to respond to parents' suggestions or comments concerning parent and family engagement activities.

Parent and Family Engagement Standards

Shirley Hills Elementary has adopted the National PTA Standards for Family-School Partnerships as our school's model in engaging parents, students, and the community. The Parent and Family Engagement Standards are:

- Welcoming All Families
- Communicating Effectively
- Supporting Student Success
- Speaking Up for Every Child
- Sharing Power
- Collaborating with Community

Shirley Hills Elementary Parent Action Team

Shirley Hills Elementary invites all parents to join the Parent Action Team. As a part of the team, you are able to share ideas and ways to create partnerships with other parents between the school, families and community. The team will meet one time during the school year.

Parents are always welcome to submit suggestions or ideas throughout the school year. To learn more about the SHES Parent Action Team, please contact the Parent Coordinator Heather Bowen or complete the interest form and return it your child's teacher or the front office.

Tell Us What You Think!

Shirley Hills wants to hear from you. If you have any suggestions or if you feel any part of this plan is not satisfactory concerning the students' or the school's goals for academic achievement, please provide us with your suggestions below and return to the front office.

Comments and Suggestions:

SHES Parent Action Team

- Yes, I would like to join the SHES Parent Action Team.
- Please, contact me regarding the Parent Action Team so I can learn more about joining the team.
- Please, send me notifications about future meetings and updates.

Name: _____

Child's Name and Teacher: _____

Email: _____

Phone Number: _____

Please return this form to your child's teacher.

