

Floyd Middle School Parental Involvement Policy and Plan for Shared Student Success 2016-2017

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Floyd Middle School

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What is Title I?

Floyd Middle School is a School Wide Title I Program. As of February 2012, The State of Georgia was granted a waiver from NCLB. According to the definitions in the waiver, Floyd Middle School has been identified as a Non-Designation Status School. Based on the requirements of Title I Elementary and Secondary Education Act of 1965 (ESEA), Section 1118 and the needs identified by our parents and school staff surveys, we will provide reasonable support for parental involvement activities as parent may request.

FLOYD MIDDLE SCHOOL

School Plan for Shared Student Achievement

This is a plan that states Floyd Middle School will provide training to educate the teachers, pupil services personnel, principal, and other staff in how to reach out to, communicate with, and work with parents as equal partners in the value and utility of contributions of parents, and in how to implement and coordinate parent programs, and build ties between parents and the school, by implementing mandatory professional development sessions that will allow the staff to become informed and understand the process and importance of parent involvement by learning best practices and procedures.

How is it revised?

Floyd Middle School has jointly developed this policy and compact with our parents to describe how we will support the important role of parents in the education of their children. In cases where the students reside in a Neglected and Delinquent residential facility, a representative from that Facility can serve as a proxy for the parent (s). At Floyd Middle School we build capacity for parent/community involvement by implementing the six types of involvement: Parenting, Communications, Parent Volunteering, Learning at Home, Decision-making and Governance, and Collaboration and Exchanges in the Community. This policy will be distributed to our students and parents via handout distribution that will be sent home with your student.

Who is it for?

The Floyd Middle School will provide training to educate the teachers, pupil services personnel, principal, and other staff in how to reach out to, communicate with, and work with parents as equal partners, in the value and utility of contributions of parents, and in how to implement and coordinate parent programs, and build ties between parents and the school, by implementing mandatory professional development sessions that will allow the staff to become informed and understand the process and importance of parent involvement by learning best practices and procedures

All students and their families are encouraged and invited to fully participate in the opportunities described in the plan.

Where is it available?

During conference week, the plan is given to each family when they meet with their child's teacher. The plan is also available on the school website, in the front office, Copies will be place in the Parent Resource Room after conference week., and a copy can be obtained from our Parent Facilitator.

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2016-2017 District Goals

All schools will vary learning experiences to increase success in college and career path, they will differentiate resources for students based on needs, they will develop stakeholder involvement to promote student success and recruit, hire, support and retain employees for the highest levels of excellence.

2016-2017 School Goals

Areas of Emphasis

Our students have improved their math performance over time. Reading continues to be a strength for Floyd's students. Therefore we will place emphasis on Literacy and writing across the curriculum. Acceleration of Reading and Math. We will focus on strengthening our STEAM program by placing emphasis on Science, Technology, Engineering, Arts, and Math.

School-Parent Compacts

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As a part of this plan Floyd's parent compact was developed jointly on April 11- 2016 with our parents, staff, and students. All families, school staff, and students are asked to participate by signing the compact to show their support. The compact will be distributed at student led conferences in October. Effort will be made to follow up with phone calls and emails to ensure parents receive information from students

Building Bridges to Embrace Excellence

Floyd Middle 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. All meetings for parents will be held at different times to meet all of the scheduling needs of our families. These are just a few of the many activities that Floyd Middle School will host. A completed copy of our activity calendar can be obtained in our front office or from our Parent Facilitator.

Meet & Greet—July 28,, 2016

Parents and students have the opportunity to meet teachers, explore exciting learning opportunities , and receive overview of the curriculum

Curriculum Night—August 15,,2016

Parents and students experienced an in depth look into the curriculum, standards, and expectations of the school year.

English Language Speaking Class—August 18 2016

Parents are taught written and verbal skills in order to better assist their students at home..

American Schools 101—September 7 2016

Parent informational meeting targeted for parents of ESOL students all parents were invited.

Annual Title I Meeting—October 27, 2016

Inform parents of their schools participation under Title I and its requirements.

Snack & Strategize ---- November 15, 2016

Academic Coach and Parent Facilitator will provide parents with testing strategies that may be utilized at home

Math Fair Part I—December 8, 2016

Parents will have the opportunity to review the Math standards and curriculum ..

Floyd's Parent Resource Room

Come visit the Parent Resource Room to check out books, study materials, games and activities to use at home with your student. Computers are also available for parents use. The Parent Resource Room is available Monday –Friday from 9:00 a.m. –4:00 p.m.

Parental Involvement

Floyd Middle School will build our parents' capacity for strong parental involvement. In order to ensure effective involvement, we encourage all families to be education partners in their children's school success by:

- Inviting parents to attend all meetings by giving them the Floyd Middle School Parent Involvement Activities Plan
- Inviting parents to serve on committees such as the School Council, School Improvement Plan Committee, Parent Policy/Compact Action Planning Committee, and the PTSA, 8th Grade Dance Committee, Media Center Committee, M.O.M.S. Club, School Beautification and other Parent Volunteer Projects
- Providing meetings held during the school day and outside school hours.

Floyd Middle School is committed to helping our parents attend the parental activities listed in this plan. Please call or email our Parent Facilitator if you have any questions, comments or concerns.

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Floyd Middle School is Building Bridges to Embrace Excellence!

Floyd Middle School will take the following measures to promote and support parents as an important foundation of the school in order to strengthen the school and reach our school goals. We will:

- Ensure that all information related to school and parent programs, meetings, and other activities are published in both English and Spanish, posted on the Web site and included in the quarterly newsletter for all parents.
- Provide trainings for staff on strategies to improve communication with parents and ideas to increase family engagement.
- Partner with local feeder schools to help prepare parents and their students for high school and improve school transition.
- Communicate with all families and the community on a regular basis regarding school wide events and activities, through phone blasts email and text messages.
- Provide necessary materials and handouts for parents at conferences, meetings, and activities to help parents work with their student to improve their student's achievement.
- Use our Partners in Education and our School PTSA to improve awareness of the activities and events listed in the school parental involvement policy.
- Offer workshops for parents to help further enhance their various needs.
- Collect feedback from parents at all events and respond to parents' requests for additional support for parental involvement activities.

Parental Involvement Standards

Floyd Middle School has adopted the National PTA Standards for Family-School Partnerships as the school's model in engaging parents, scholars, and the community. These standards are:

1. Welcoming All Families
2. Communicating Effectively
3. Supporting Student Success
4. Speaking Up for Every Child
5. Sharing Power
6. Collaborating with Community



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 scholars' and the schools' goals for academic achievement, please provide us with your comments in the space provided and leave this form in the Main Office for Cynthea B. Lester:

Name: (optional) _____

Phone Number: (optional) _____

Email: (optional) _____

