

Lindley Middle School

Parental Involvement Policy and Plan for Shared Student Success

2018–2019 School Year

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What is Title I?

Lindley Middle School is identified as a Title I school as part of The Every Student Succeeds Act (ESSA) of 2015, reauthorizes the Elementary and Secondary Education Act (ESEA), the nation's national education law and longstanding commitment to equal opportunity for all students. Title I is designed to support State and local school reform efforts tied to challenging state academic standards in 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 Policy.



School Plan for Shared Student Achievement

What is it?

This is a plan that describes how Lindley Middle School will provide opportunities to improve parent engagement to support student learning. Lindley Middle School values the contributions and involvement of parents to establish an equal partnership for the common goal of improving student achievement. This plan describes the different ways that Lindley Middle School will support parent 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?

Lindley Middle School invited all parents to attend our Annual Title I Input Meeting last spring to review and revise this parental involvement policy, as well as the school-wide plan, our school-parent compact and the parental involvement budget. Additionally, parent input and comments regarding this plan are welcome during the school year through an online form or by visiting the Parent Resource Center. The plan is posted on our school Web site for parents to view and submit feedback throughout the year. All parent feedback received during the year will be used to revise the plan for the next school year. We also distribute an annual survey online and by mail to ask parents for their suggestions on the plan and the use of funds for parental involvement. Parents can also give feedback during several parent meetings and activities during the school year including our Annual Title I Parent Informational Meeting.

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. Lindley Middle School 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 can be found on our school website and is given to all families during Conference Week, October 16 – 20, 2017. Parents can also retrieve a copy of the plan in the Parent Resource Center or from the main office.

2018 - 19 Cobb Co. District Goals

Vary learning experience to increase success in career pathways; Differentiate resources for areas/schools based on needs; Develop stakeholder involvement to promote student success; Recruit, hire, support and retain employees for the highest levels of excellence

2018 – 19 LMS School Goals

- Increase the number of students scoring proficient from 24 % to 30% on ELA Milestones by the 2018 – 2019 school year
- Increase the number of students scoring proficient from 23.1 % to 30% on Math Milestones by 2018 – 2019 school year
- Increase CCRPI score from 65% to 71.3 % by 2018 - 2019

School-Parent Compacts

As part of this plan, Lindley Middle School and our families will develop a school-parent compact, which is an agreement that parents, teachers, and students will develop 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 fall and spring input meetings and staff development.

The school-parent compacts are kept in the Parent Resource center if parents need a copy.

Let's Get Together!

Lindley 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.

Sneak-A-Peek – July 30, 2018

Meet your child's teacher and our friendly and helpful school staff for the year, as well as get information about transportation, lunch accounts, ParentVue and much more.

Open House - August 16, 2018

Meet your child's teacher and our friendly and helpful school staff for the year. Learn about each curriculum and classroom goals.

Mathematics Festival – August 23, 2018

It's an event at which students play with mathematics to inspire them to think critically, to explore the richness and beauty of mathematics through collaborative, creative problem-solving.

Academic Success for All Curriculum Night

You will be presented with content strategies to support your student

English Language Arts Curriculum Night

You will be presented with content strategies to support your student

Annual State of the School Title I Meeting – September 20, 2018

We invite you to an evening of learning and sharing about our Title I program, including our parental involvement policy, the school-wide plan, the school-parent compacts, and parents' requirements. Invitations will be mailed and posted in the school newsletter and local media.

Parent-Teacher and Student Conferences - October 15 – 19, 2018

Scheduled updates on your child's progress.

Fall Title I School Improvement Forum Sessions – October 15 – 19, 2018

We believe that being involved with your child's education is essential to his/her academic success. We would like to invite you to help us develop and or revise the 2019 – 2020 SWP, Policy and Compact.

Parent Workshop (en Español) for Triple Stars

Learn how to help your child be more successful

Family STEM Night & Science Fair – November 8, 2018

You will be able to participate in STEM activities led by students that address content standards.

Pebblebrook 8th Grade Parent Night

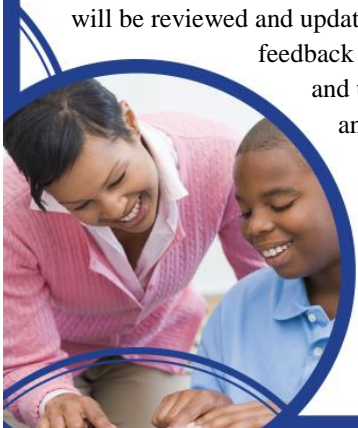
Parent transition meeting for High School

Social Studies Curriculum Night and Fair – January 17, 2019

You will be presented with content strategies to support your student

Spring Title I School Improvement Forum - March 14, 2019

Opportunity for parents to participate in roundtable discussions with the principal and staff regarding the school-wide plan, parental involvement policy, school-parent compacts and the parental involvement budget for SY2020.



Parent Resource Center – Room 545

Come visit the 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.

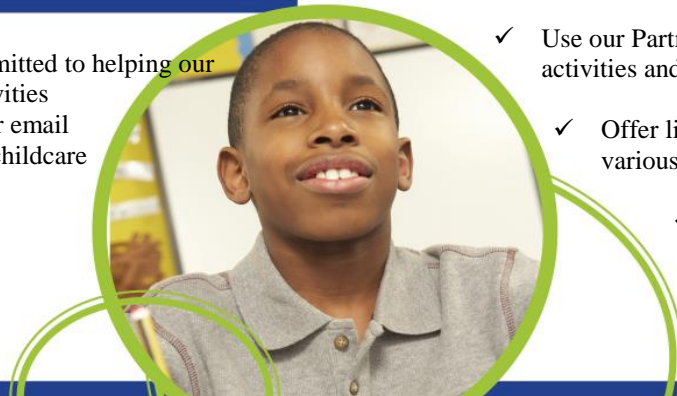
Monday – Friday, 8:30 pm – 12:30 pm

Parental Involvement

Lindley Middle School believes that parental involvement means the participation of parents in regular two-way, and meaningful 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.

Lindley Middle School is committed to helping our parents attend the parental 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. Dr. Dana Giles, Principal (770) 819-2496 or Dana.Giles@cobbk12.org



Lindley Middle School is Branching Out!

Lindley 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 is published in both English and Spanish, posted on the school Web site, and included in the quarterly school newsletter for all parents.
- ✓ Provide quarterly trainings for staff during their planning periods on strategies to improve communication with parents and ideas to increase family engagement. Staff will also share best practices during regularly scheduled faculty meetings.
- ✓ Partner with the United Way by conducting workshops and trainings for parents and sending school information about parent engagement activities to help prepare parents and their child improve school transition.
- ✓ We are now on social media. Please follow us on Twitter @LindleyFalcons and Instagram at @lindleymfalcons. These are two avenues that we are using to keep parents aware and updated on school information.
- ✓ Communicate with all families and the community on a regular basis regarding school-wide events and activities, through phone messages, email, and flyers.
- ✓ Work with our parents to develop relevant trainings and helpful presentations to educate our staff on the importance of parental involvement.
- ✓ Provide necessary materials and handouts for parents at conferences, meetings, and activities to help parents work with their child to improve their child's achievement.
- ✓ Use our Partners in Education, PTSA and School Council to improve awareness of the activities and events listed in the school parental involvement policy.
- ✓ Offer literacy and computer training for parents to help further enhance their various educational levels.
- ✓ Collect feedback from parents at all events and host a suggestion form in the Parent Resource Center in order to respond to parents' requests for additional support for parental involvement activities.



Parental Involvement Standards

Lindley Middle School 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:

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

LMS School Council

Lindley Middle School invites all parents to be a part of the School Council to share ideas and ways to involve other parents to build partnerships with school, families, and the community as well as improve academic achievement and bring parents into the school-based decision making process. Parents can always submit their ideas or suggestions at any school activity or meeting, as well as through our parent surveys and website. If you would like to learn more about the School Council, please contact Dr. Dana Giles, Principal at (770) 819-2496 or complete the interest form and leave it in the Main Office.



LMS School Council

- Yes, I am interested and wish to participate with the School Council
- Please contact me so I can learn more joining the School Council
- Please send me notifications about future meetings and updates

Name: _____

Child's 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) _____

