

We Value Capacity Building

Building Capacity for School Staff

APS hosts regular training opportunities for school staff and principals that highlight Title I, Part A Family Engagement requirements. These training sessions focus on strategies to increase family engagement, improve school-family communication, create a welcoming environment, improve two-way communication, and build relationships with families and the community. Training sessions may be redelivered to school level staff to further enhance their capacity to engage families as equal partners in their child's education.

Additionally, APS encourages school staff to attend local and national professional conferences on effective Family Engagement. Conferences provide an opportunity for schools to network with other districts and learn best practices in the field of family engagement.

APS Title I Schools use the Academic Parent Teacher Teams (APTT) Family Engagement model. APTT is an evidence-based program wherein teachers and families partner to address academic goals through at-home learning activities. Training and support for the APTT model is provided through the Georgia Department of Education.

Building Capacity for Parents and Families

APS provides families with information about the Title I program in an understandable format, and to the extent practical, in a language parents can understand. Residential facilities in APS are included in Family Engagement correspondence and activities. APS works with Title I schools to help families understand:

- Academic expectations for student learning and progress;
- Specific information related to family participation;
- The State's challenging academic standards, local and state assessments, including alternative assessments; and
- Use of the APS student information system Infinite Campus, and other digital resources, including the harms of copyright piracy.

APS collaborates with federal and state funded preschool programs within the district and locally. In the spring, schools host Kindergarten Round-Up, Middle and High School Transition Nights, and College and Career Fairs, providing information to families that helps prepare students for a smooth transition into the next stage of academic learning.

We Value Community Input

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Opportunities for Meaningful Parent Consultation

Parents, family, and community input is essential to the Title I, Part A Family Engagement program. All families are invited to participate in the following opportunities to share their ideas and suggestions to help the district, schools, and students reach our student achievement goals.

Family Engagement Events

<https://www.atlantapublicschools.us/domain/15598>

Go Teams

<https://www.atlantapublicschools.us/Domain/1483>

Cluster Meetings

<https://www.atlantapublicschools.us/Domain/16987>

Let's Talk

<https://www.atlantapublicschools.us/domain/14240>

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