# Parent and Family Engagement Plan for Shared Student Success 2024-2025

### **Cascade Elementary School**

International Baccalaureate World School

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## What is Title I?

Cascade Elementary School 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 school 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 families a written parent and family engagement plan.

## School Plan for Shared Student Achievement

## What is it?

This is a plan that describes how will provide opportunities to improve **Cascade Elementary School** parent engagement to support student learning. **CES** 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 **Cascade Elementary 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?

Cascade Elementary School will invite all parents to attend a School Forum to review and revise the parental involvement policy, the School-wide Plan, and School-Parent Compact. The plan is posted on our school website 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. Also, we will distribute an annual Title I survey online and by mail to ask parents for their suggestions on the plan. Parents can give feedback during several Parent meetings and activities during the school year including our Annual Title I 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. **Cascade Elementary 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 is included in the student handbook that is given to all students. As a reminder, we will mail the plan to all parents in August before the scheduled Open House event. Also, the plan will be posted on the school's website. Additionally, Parents can retrieve a copy of the plan in the Parent Resource Center.

#### 2024-2025 Academic Achievement Goals

#### **APS District Goal**

**APS Mission:** Through a caring culture of equity, trust, collaboration, every student will graduate ready for college, career, and life.

**APS Vision:** A high-performing school district where students love to learn, educators inspire, families engage, and the community trust the system.

#### Cascade Elementary School

By the end of the 2024-25 school year will:

Increase the overall number of students performing at the developing, proficient and distinguished level on the Georgia Milestones Assessment System (GMAS) by 5 %

55% of students will meet expected annual goals on the Winter or Spring MAP Assessment in Reading growth and Math Growth

# **School-Parent Compacts**

As part of this plan, **Cascade Elementary School** and our families developed a school-parent compact. It is an agreement that explains how parents, teachers and students work together to ensure that our students reach grade-level standards. The compacts are reviewed and updated annually. Parents and teachers work diligently to create compacts. A copy of the school-parent compact brochure is distributed to every family.

## "Parents Make a World of Difference"

Cascade Elementary School will host several events to build the capacity for strong parent and family engagement to support a partnership among the school, parents, and the community to improve student academic achievement. Our regularly scheduled events are listed below and future events added to our schedule will be posted on the school website and announced through flyers, emails, text messages and voice messenger.

# <u>Fall Semester: August - December</u>

Open House

Curriculum Night

Data Family Night

Annual Title I Parent Informational Meeting

## **Spring Semester: January- May**

Title I Parent Input Meeting

## **Recurring Events: Fall & Spring Semesters**

Academic Parent Teacher Team Meetings Individual Student/Parent/Teacher Conferences

Connect digitally with Cascade Elementary School on our social media platforms to receive updates on family engagement events!

Cascade Elementary School will communicate with parents via the following methods: Class Dojo, flyers, Website, and Robo calls.

# Cascade Elementary School is on a Mission!

**Cascade Elementary School** will take the following measures to promote and support parents as an important foundation of the school to strengthen the school and reach our school goals.

#### We will:

Support the district and school's improvement goals

Make the Parent Center and parent resources available to parents

Communicate to Parents in various ways

Welcome volunteers to assist in our school

Promote student learning at home by helping students set goals Ensure that Parents are involved and have input in the school's decision-making process

Provide collaborative academic workshops/activities, hosted by teachers, for parents and students to build parent and student capacity Provide information to parents for Atlanta Public Schools Homework Hotline

Include students on agenda for "Parent Learning Opportunities" workshops to encourage parent participation

## **Parent and Family Engagement**

Cascade Elementary School believes that parent engagement means the participation of parents in two-way communication involving student academic learning and other school activities, including ensuring:

- Parents play a role in assisting in their child's learning.
- Parents are encouraged to be actively involved in their child's education at school and home.
- Parents are full partners with the school and are included in decision-making and on advisory committees to assist in the education of their child.
- The carrying out of other activities as described in this plan.

# **Building School Community**

Cascade Elementary School invites ALL Parents to share ideas and ways to involve other Parents to build partnerships with school, families, and the community. Parents can also submit their ideas or suggestions during all activities and meetings as well as through our Parent surveys and website.

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