School Plan for Shared Student Achievement

What is it?
The School Parent and Family Engagement Policy describes how Cleveland Avenue Elementary School will provide opportunities to improve parent engagement to support student learning. Cleveland Avenue Elementary School values the contributions and involvement of parents to establish an equal partnership for the common goal of improving student achievement. This policy describes the different ways that Cleveland Avenue Elementary School will support parent engagement and how parents can be involved.

How is it revised?
Cleveland Avenue Elementary School invited all parents to attend our annual School Wide Plan meeting 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 policy are welcome during the school year. The policy is posted on our school website for parents to view and submit feedback throughout the year. Parent feedback received during the year will be used to revise the plan for the next school year. We also distribute an annual survey 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 Parent Advisory Committee (PAC), PTSA and Local School Council (LSC) meetings.

Who is it for?
All parents at Cleveland Avenue Elementary School are encouraged and invited to fully participate in the opportunities described in this policy. Cleveland Avenue 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 end of the school year, the revised School Parent and Family Engagement Policy is sent home to all parents. Parents can also receive a copy of the Parental Involvement Policy in the Parent Resource Center located in Room 119 and is distributed at each Title I Parent workshop or activity. A copy of the School Parent and Family Engagement Involvement Policy is posted throughout the school year on the school website.
2017–2018 District Goals
Our students will be well-rounded individuals who possess the necessary academic skills and knowledge and are excited about learning.

2017–2018 Your School’s Goals From the School Wide Improvement Plan

- Decrease the percentage of 3rd-5th grade students in the Beginning and Developing categories in all content areas by 3% on the 2018 administration of the Georgia Milestones Assessment.

- Increase the percentage of 3rd-5th grade students in the Proficient and Distinguished categories in all content areas by 3% on the 2018 administration of the Georgia Milestones Assessment.

- To increase the percentage of K-2 students receiving on grade level scores on STAR Reading and Math by 3%.

Let’s Get Together!

Cleveland Avenue Elementary School will host the following events, workshops and activities to build the capacity for strong parental involvement to support a partnership among the school, parents, and the community to improve student academic achievement. Invitations will be sent home and posted on the school’s website.

Parent Center Open House (August 2017)

Grandparents Day (September 2017)

Annual Title I Parent Night (October 2017)

Home Environment Workshop (October 2017)

Parent Engagement Month (November 2017) Activities to be announced.

S.T.E.M Workshop (December 2017)

Math Madness Workshop (January 2018)

Homework Hotline Workshop (January 2018)

Black History Month Crossing the Curriculum Workshop (February 2018)

Reading Skills Workshop (February 2018)

Read Across America Day (March 2018) Reading Workshop

Georgia Milestones Assessment / CCGPS Workshop (March 2018)

Pre-K Transition to Kindergarten Workshop (April 2018)

Transition to Middle School Workshop (April 2018)
School-Parent Compacts

As part of this policy, Cleveland Avenue Elementary School and our families have developed 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 at various times during the year. The school-parent compacts are kept in the Parent Resource Center located in Room 119.

Parent Resource Center
Room 119
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, 8:00 am – 2:30 pm

Parental Involvement
Cleveland Avenue Elementary School believes that parental involvement means the participation of parents in regular two-way and meaningful communication involving student achievement 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
➢ 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.

Cleveland Avenue Elementary School is “S.T.E.M”ing Up for Success

Cleveland Avenue Elementary 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:

➢ Provide parents with timely information related to the school and parent programs, meetings and other activities. This information will be sent in multiple languages, as needed, and posted on the school’s website.

➢ Conduct an annual meeting at the onset of the school year to inform parents about the school’s Title I Program, budget, parent requirements, School Parent and Family Engagement Policy and the School-parent Compact.

➢ Offer a flexible number of morning and evening meetings. Additionally, Title I funded services such as childcare and home visits will be available to parents if services are needed.

➢ Establish a Parent Advisory Committee (PAC), in the fall of the school year, which will consist of parents K-5th grade, parent liaisons, grade level chairpersons, instructional coach, and administrators.

➢ Communicate with all families and the community on a regular basis regarding school-wide events and activities, through phone messages, social media, and flyers.

➢ Provide parents with a thorough understanding of the Common Core Georgia Performance Standards and expectation requirements in grades K-5 through academic workshops.

➢ Provide materials and training to help parents work with their children to improve achievement. To foster parent involvement, a monthly Parent Engagement Calendar will be distributed focusing on daily home activities.

➢ Coordinate and integrate parental involvement programs, workshops and activities with Head Start, Even Start, Home Instruction Programs for Preschool Youngsters, the Parents as Teachers Program, and public preschool and other programs, and conduct other activities, such as parent resource centers, that encourage and support parents in more fully participating in the education of their children, by providing a meeting in the spring to provide information to parents and students the expectation and required courses for K-5th grade students.
Parental Involvement Standards
Cleveland Avenue Elementary School and our parents have adopted the National PTA standards are:

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

Local School Council/PTA/ PAC
☐ Yes, I am interested and wish to join the Local School Council and/or PTA At Cleveland Avenue Elementary School.
☐ I am interested in joining the Parent Advisory Council (PAC)
Please contact me so I can learn more about joining the Local School Council, PTA, and Parent Advisory Council at Cleveland Avenue Elementary School.

Name: __________________________________________

Phone Number: __________________________________

Email address: ____________________________________

**Note: Please circle one or both of the committees which you are interested in**

Local School Council (LSC)

Cleveland Avenue Elementary School invites all parents to join the Local School Council (LSC) to share ideas and ways to involve other parents to build partnerships within the school, families and community. The Local School Council will meet four times during the school year, but parents can also submit their ideas or suggestions at any school activities, workshops and meetings; as well as through our parent surveys and website. If you would like to learn more and/or join the Local School Council, complete the interest form and leave it in the Main Office.

Share Your Thoughts
We want to hear from you. If you have any suggestions or if there is any part of this policy that you feel is not satisfactory with the student’s and the school’s goals for academic achievement, please provide us with your comments in the space provided and return this form to the main office for the Title I Parent Liaison, Mrs. Michele S. Gunn.

Parent Name: ___________________________________

Telephone Number: ______________________________

Email Address: __________________________________

Comments & Suggestions:
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