

Booker T. Washington High School

School Parent and Family Engagement Plan 2020-2021 School Year



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What is Title I?

Booker T. Washington High School is identified as a Title I school as part of Every Student Succeed Act of 2017 (ESSA). Title I is:

- A federally funded program which provides services to schools based on student economic needs.
- Designed to support State and local school reform efforts tied to challenging state academic standards to improve teaching and learning for students.

All Title I schools must jointly develop with all parents a written parent and family engagement plan.

School Plan for Shared Student Achievement

What is it?

This is a plan that describes **how Booker T. Washington High School** will provide opportunities to improve family engagement to support student learning. **Booker T. Washington High 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 **Booker T. Washington High 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 developed?

Booker T. Washington High School invites all parents to attend our Title I Information meeting, School Wide Planning and Budget meeting to review and revise the parent involvement policy, our school-parent compact and the parental involvement budget. Additionally, parent input and comments regarding this plan are welcome during the school year through surveys, written statements and face to face contact. The plan is posted on our school Website and in the parent center 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 parent meetings, workshops and activities during the school year.

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. **Booker T. Washington High 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?

The plan is posted on the school Website, parent center board, sent home and hand delivered to parents, and distributed at the Annual Title I Meeting for review. Parents can also retrieve a copy in the Parent Resource Center and in the main office.

2021-2022 District Goal

Mission

Through a caring culture of equity, trust, collaboration, every student will graduate ready college, career, and life.

Vision

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

Achievement Gap: 2021-2022 To improve overall student achievement, Booker T. Washington High School will focus on the following goals by increasing the percentage of students scoring at Proficient or above on the Georgia Milestones End of Course Tests by the following:

- 5-10 % increase in E/LA Milestones EOC
- 5-10 % increase in Math Milestones EOC

School-Parent Compacts

As part of this plan, **Booker T. Washington High School** and our families will develop a school-parent compact. It is an agreement that explains how parents, teachers and students work together to make sure all our students reach grade-level standards and are successful.

The compacts are reviewed and updated annually based on feedback from parents/guardians, students and teachers during the School wide Planning meeting and the Annual Title I Meeting.

Parents and teachers worked diligently to create compacts that are beneficial for all. A copy of the school-parent compact brochure is distributed to every family to use as a guide during the year.

Let's Get Together!

Booker T. Washington High School will host the following events to build capacity for strong parental involvement/engagement to support a partnership among the school, parents, and the community to improve student academic achievement.

FALL	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • School Open House • Annual Title I Meeting • Grade Level Meetings • Principal's Chat • PTSA Meeting • Curriculum Night 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Parent Center Open House • Communications/BTW App/ Parent Portal • Parent Teacher Conferences • Parent Workshop Day • GO Team Meeting
Winter	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • November-Parent and Family Engagement Month • Principal's Chat • Vision Board • Parent Workshop Day 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Social Emotional Learning • Freshman Meeting • Parent Teacher Conferences • Stress and Relaxation • PTSA Meeting • GO Team Meeting
Spring	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • School-Parent Compact/Parent and Family Engagement Plan Revision-2022 • Parent Teacher Conferences • Freshman Meeting • Milestone Meeting • STEM Night • Visions Ceremony 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Title I School wide Planning and Budget Meeting-2022 • Principal's Chat • Senior Meeting • PTSA Meeting • GO Team Meeting • Awards Ceremony • Graduation Ceremony

Future Events will be posted on the website, parent center board, flyers, in the main office, text, email, etc.

Parent Resource Center

Room: 1132/Virtual Parent Center

Operating Hours are:

M-F 9:00 am – 3:00 p.m.

Extended hours are available if necessary.

If you have questions: Contact, Katherine King-Taylor,

Parent Liaison 404-802-4657/4618

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Parent and Family Engagement

Booker T. Washington High School believes that parent and family engagement 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 a role in assisting their child's learning;
- Parents are encouraged to be actively involved in their child's education at school and home.
- That parents are full partners in their child's education 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.

Booker T. Washington High School is committed to helping our parents attend the parental activities listed in this plan. Please call or email us if have questions or ideas regarding times and location of the various activities.

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Booker T. Washington High School

We 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 English and Spanish, posted on the school Web site, and included in the monthly school newsletter for all parents.
- Provide 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 grade level meetings, as well as faculty meetings.
- Encourage parents to visit the school and volunteer in various ways, i.e. classroom, halls, bus monitor.
- Share information in English and Spanish on the school blog and in the school newsletter for parents to understand the school's academic standards and assessments as well as the ways parents can monitor their child's progress and work with educators.
- Communicate with all families and the community on a regular basis regarding school wide events and activities, through phone messages, social media, flyers & face to face contact
- Work with our parents to develop trainings and helpful presentations to educate our staff on the importance of parental involvement/family engagement.
- 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, as well as motivate parents to further their education.
- Use our Partners in Education and Family Engagement Committee to improve awareness of the activities and events listed in the school parental involvement policy.
- Collect feedback from parents at all events, surveys will be a major means of collecting feedback; however, comments from our parents by word of mouth will be accepted. Implement changes as a result of parent/guardian feedback.
- Meet parents where they are i.e. holding some meetings in various places within the community, such as the library, parks, and recreation centers.
- Offer flexible times for meetings, such as in the mornings, evenings and weekends.
- Hold Annual Title I meeting to discuss components of Title I and assist parents with understanding Title I to ensure that every child has an equal opportunity for a quality education.

Parent Involvement Standards

Booker T. Washington High School and our parents have adopted the National PTSA Mission for Family School Partnerships as the school’s model in engaging parents, students, and the community. The mission is:

“to make every child’s potential a reality by engaging and empowering families and communities for all children.”

Family Engagement Committee

- Would You like to see a Family Engagement Committee developed at Washington High School Yes___ No___
- Yes, this sounds like a great idea, please keep me posted about future meetings

Please print...

Name: _____

Child’s Name and Grade: _____

Email Address: _____

Phone Number: _____

Best time to contact me: _____

Keep up with BTW-BTW Bulldogs App, BTW Website, Parent Portal, Twitter, Facebook, Instagram

Family Engagement Committee

Booker T. Washington High School invites **ALL** parents to join the Title I Family Engagement Committee to share ideas and ways to involve other parents/guardians to build partnerships with school, families, and the community. The team will meet during the school year, but parents can also submit their ideas or suggestions during all activities and meetings as well as through our parent surveys and website.

If you would like to learn more about the Title I Family Engagement Committee, please contact

Parent Liaison Katherine King-Taylor at kmking-taylor@atlanta.k12.ga.us

or complete the form and leave it in the labeled basket in the Parent Resource Center.

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 or Parent Resource Center:

Please provide your name and number if you want someone to contact you.

Name: (optional)

Telephone Number: (optional)
