

South Atlanta High School

Parental Involvement Policy and Plan for Shared Student Success

2025–2026 School Year



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What is Title I?

South Atlanta High School is identified as a Title I school as part of the Every Student Succeeds Act of 2015 (ESSA). Title I is a federal grant that was designed to ensure that all children receive a high quality education and reach grade level proficiency. 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?

The Parental Involvement Policy describes how South Atlanta High School will provide opportunities to improve parent engagement to support student learning. South Atlanta High 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 South Atlanta High School will support parent engagement and how parents can be involved.

How Is It Revised?

South Atlanta High 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 welcomed during the school year. The policy 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 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 School Governance Team (GO Team), PTSA, and End of the Year Input meetings.

Who Is It For?

All parents at South Atlanta High School are encouraged and invited to fully participate in the opportunities described in this policy. South Atlanta 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?

At the beginning of the year, the Parental Involvement Policy is given to all parents and students. As a reminder, a copy will be distributed during the respective grade and curriculum nights. Parents can also receive a copy of the Parental Involvement Policy in the Parent Resource Center located Room E-102.



2025–26 School Goals

Increase the number of all students scoring Developing or above on the Spring 2026 Literature and Composition II End-of-Course (EOC) assessment from 41% to 46% overall by the end of the 2025-2026 school year.

Increase the number of all students scoring Developing or above on the Spring Biology End-of-Course (EOC) assessment from 44% to 49% by the end of the 2025-2026 school year.

Increase the number of all students scoring Developing or above on the Spring 2026 Algebra I: Concepts and Connections End-of-Course (EOC) assessment from 47% to 52% by the end of the 2025-2026 school year.

School-Parent Compacts



As part of this policy, South Atlanta High 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 at various times during the year. The school-parent compacts are kept in the Parent Resource Center located in Room E-102.

Let's Get Together!

South Atlanta High 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 to all parents and posted on the school's website and the marquee.

Annual Title I Parent Meeting & Open House - (September 2025)

√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, parents' right to know and meet your child's teachers and school staff for the school year.

Parent Review of School Improvement Plan, Parental Involvement Policy and School-Parent Compact – (August 2025/November 2025/February 2026)

√Parents will review and provide feedback for the school-parent compacts and the parental involvement policy which will be distributed to all parents and students throughout the year.

Principal Talks (Alternate Months)

√Parents will get an opportunity to have dialogue with Mr. Braziel, Principal, about the school policies, curriculum and their child's progress.

“Just What the Doctor Ordered” – A Math Healing Clinic Workshop – (October 2025)

√Parents will learn important tips on helping their children with the components of the Georgia Milestones Assessment, specifically in Math.

GSE/CCRPI Parent Night - Science – (October 2025)

√Parents will be given information about the Georgia Standards of Excellence (GSE), curriculum information from our guidance department as it relates specifically to Science.

Effective Parental Involvement Practices/Staff Workshop – (October 2025)

√Faculty and Staff members will have an opportunity to learn best practices on how to effectively engage and increase parental involvement in their classrooms.

Literacy in High School – (January 2026)

√In preparing students to achieve academic success in their writing skills, parents will be equipped with the necessary tools to enhance their children's writing abilities.

Parent Technology Workshop – (March 2026)

√Parents will learn basic technology skills which will help increase their computer literacy.

Transitioning from Middle to High School/High School and Beyond – (March 2026)

√Parents will be given invaluable resources that will help their children transition from middle school to high school and from high school to adulthood.

Parent Resource Center

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 9:00 am – 2:00 pm

Parental Involvement

South Atlanta High 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

Effective parental involvement will not be an occasional event, such as a parent/teacher conference; rather it will be an on-going process. South Atlanta High School is committed to helping our parents by maintaining the Parent Resource Center. Please contact our Parent Liaison designee for additional information:

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South Atlanta High School is Branching Out!

South Atlanta High 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 posted on the school's Web site, included in the monthly school newsletter and posted on the school's marquee.
- Conduct staff development twice a year on parental involvement practices and effective strategies for staff to communicate and build partnerships with parents and ideas to increase family engagement. Staff will also share best practices during this time.
- Partner with Head Start and Early Reading programs by conducting joint staff meetings for parents and sending school information about parent engagement activities to help prepare parents and their child for kindergarten and improve school transition.
- Share information in the school's newsletter and on the website 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 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.
- Collaborate with the community to improve awareness and increase participation of the activities and events listed in the school parental involvement policy.



Parental Involvement Standards

South Atlanta High 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*

School Governance (GO TEAM)

South Atlanta High School invites all parents to learn about the School Governance (GO TEAM) in an effort to share ideas and ways to involve other parents to build partnerships within the school, families and community. The School Governance (GO TEAM) 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 serve on the School Governance (GO TEAM), complete the interest form and leave it in the Main Office.

School Governance (GO TEAM) and PTSA

- ☐ *Yes, I am interested and wish to serve on the School Governance (GO TEAM) and/or PTSA*
- ☐ *Please contact me so I can learn more about serving on the School Governance (GO TEAM) and/or PTSA*
- ☐ *Please send me notifications about future meetings and updates*

Name: _____

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 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 Parent Liaison designee Ms. Shivers.

Parent Name: _____

Telephone Number: _____

Email Address: _____

Comments & Suggestions
