

**Bazoline E. Usher-Collier Elementary
School Parent & Family Engagement Plan
2021-2022 School Year**



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What is Title I?

The Every Student Succeeds Act (ESSA) was signed by President Obama on December 10, 2015, and represents good news for our nation's schools. This bipartisan measure reauthorizes the 50-year-old Elementary and Secondary Education Act (ESEA), the nation's national education law and longstanding commitment to equal opportunity for all students.

Parent and Family Engagement Plan for Shared Student Success

What is it?

The Bazoline E. Usher-Collier Parent and Family Engagement Plan for Shared Student Success was created to improve family engagement opportunities that support student learning at school and home. Our plan describes the multiple ways that Usher-Collier will provide family academic engagement opportunities and how we are inviting our parents to assist us in reviewing Title I documents and planning Title I activities and events that will promote and support student learning at home.

How is it developed?

Usher-Collier Elementary welcomes parent feedback at any time regarding this plan. All parent feedback 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 use of Title I funds for family academic engagement. We will host a meeting to allow parents to learn more about this plan and the compact, providing parents and families with an opportunity to share feedback and input with us to ensure this plan and compact accurately reflects our school's community.

Who is it for?

This plan is for all students participating in the Title I, Part A program, and their families.

Where is it available?

In the beginning of the school year, this plan is sent home with all of our students. The plan is also posted on the website. Our parents can also retrieve a copy of this plan in the Parent Center and the main office at our school.

2021-2022 District Mission

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

2021-2022 District Vision

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

Usher-Collier ES 2020-2021 Goals

- ✚ Increase the % of grades 3-5 students by 3% scoring proficient or above in reading
- ✚ Increase the % of grades 3-5 students by 3% scoring proficient or above in math
- ✚ By the end of the SY 2021-2022, there will be a decrease of behavior referrals submitted by staff due to the increased use of SEL Competencies throughout the day.

School-Parent Compact

The School-Parent Compact (SPC) is a written agreement between the school community and parents. The SPC provides an opportunity to create new partnerships between the school, teachers and families. It explains what families and schools can do to help children reach high academic standards of excellence. This written agreement indicates how all stakeholders of our school community agree to share in the effort to raise student academic achievement.

Usher-Collier ES Parents!

Usher-Collier Elementary School will host the following events to build the capacity for strong family engagement to support a partnership among the school, parents, and the community to improve student academic achievement.

Open House- August 2021

Welcome families back to school. Families meet teachers and visit the classroom.

Grandparents Day-September 12, 2021

Grandparents Day is an opportunity to treasure that connection and spend some quality family time together.

Hispanic Heritage Month-October 2021

APTT Parent Workshop #1- October 27, 2021

This workshop will focus on building reading and math skills at home with parents and students. Parents will review classroom and individual student data and strategies to help students excel at home.

APTT Parent Workshop #2- January 12, 2022

This workshop will focus on building reading and math skills at home with parents and students. Parents will review classroom and individual student data and strategies to help students excel at home.

APTT Parent Workshop #3- March 16, 2022

This workshop will focus on building reading and math skills at home with parents and students. Parents will review classroom and individual student data and strategies to help students excel at home.

Parental Involvement

Usher-Collier Elementary School believes that parent involvement means the participation of parents in regular two-way, 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

Usher-Collier ES is committed to helping our parents attend the family academic engagement events, activities and workshops listed in this plan. Please call J. Cook at 404-802-5701, should you need information regarding our Family Academic Engagement program.

Usher-Collier ES 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, marquee, robo-call and handouts will be provided 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 regularly scheduled faculty meetings.
- Share information on the school's website, email, and marquee 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 (Facebook, Twitter, etc.) and fliers.
- Work with our parents to develop relevant trainings and helpful presentations to educate our staff on the importance of family academic 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 academic achievement.
- Collaborate with our *APTT Committee Members* on ways to improve awareness of the activities and events listed in the school parental involvement plan.
- Collect feedback from parents at all events, post feedback form on the school website in order to respond to parents' requests.
- Partner and host transitional events for our students moving on to our feeder schools.

National Parent Involvement Standards

Usher-Collier ES and our parents have adopted the APTT model as the school's communication for engaging parents, students, and the community.

Usher-Collier ES DIGITAL FAMILY ENGAGEMENT

To connect digitally to what's going on in Family Academic Engagement @ Usher ES follow us on all of our social media platforms!



Let's connect!

PLEASE JOIN!

Usher-Collier ES invites **ALL** parents to our Parent Teacher Association (PTA) as a way to share ideas and ways to involve parents to build partnerships with school, families, and the community. The PTA committee will meet three times during the school year. Parents can 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 PTA, please contact the main office at 404-802-5701.

We want to hear from you!

If you have any suggestions, ideas or feedback related to the Usher-Collier ES family academic engagement program, please provide us with your comments and place in the Parent Suggestion box provided for you in the Main Office. We would love to hear from you!

