

# Mimosa Elementary



## ***Parent and Family Engagement Plan for Shared Student Success 2021–2022 School Year***

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**What is Title I?** Mimosa Elementary 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 family members a written Parent and Family Engagement Plan.



## **School Plan for Shared Student Achievement**

### **What is it?**

This is a plan that describes how Mimosa Elementary will provide opportunities to improve family engagement to support student learning. Mimosa Elementary values the contributions of parents and family members to build parent capacity for the common goal of improving student achievement. This plan describes the different ways that Mimosa Elementary will provide support for parent and family 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?**

Mimosa Elementary School invited all parents to attend our virtual Parent Input Meeting on April 21, 2021 last spring to review and revise this Parent and Family Engagement Plan, as well as the schoolwide plan, our School-Family Compact, and the 1% family engagement budget. Additionally, parent input and comments regarding this plan are welcome during the school year. 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. We distribute an annual survey online to ask parents for their suggestions on the plan and the use of funds for parent and family engagement. Parents and family members can give feedback throughout the school year at several parent meetings, as well as using the parent feedback form located on our school's website and in the Parent Resource Center.

### **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. Mimosa Elementary will provide full opportunity for the participation of parents and families with limited English, disabilities, and of migratory children.

### **Where is it available?**

The Parent and Family Engagement Plan is made available on our school's website, distributed through the school, and community (St. David's Church Episcopal). Parents can also retrieve a copy of the plan in the Parent Resource Center.

## 2021–2022 District Goals

Ensure that all FCS students graduate and are prepared to pursue their chosen paths -- whether college, career or military - and to succeed on those paths after high school by focusing on 4 top priorities over the next year:

- **Student Achievement** - Prepare students with strong academic foundations and the skills needed to navigate life beyond graduation
- **People and Culture** - Provide a welcoming environment and positive school and district culture for students, families, and employees
- **Community Collaboration** - Engage families, community members and civic organizations as active partners
- **Fiscal Responsibility** - Manage and protect public funds and assets through efficient and effective use of available resources

For measurable outcomes and to review the Strategic Plan 2022, visit <https://www.fultonschools.org/strategicplan>.

## 2021–2022 School Goals

**Mimosa Elementary Goals:** Increase student achievement in reading and mathematics for all students in grades K-5 (See School-Family Compact for a complete list of school goals and focus areas).

<p><b>READING</b></p> <p>(K-2) Increase the percentage of students making a year’s worth of academic gains as measured by i-Ready Assessment by 10 percentage points by May 2022.</p> <p>(3-5) Increase the percentage of students making a year’s worth of academic gains as measured by i-Ready Assessment by 10 percentage points by May 2022.</p>	<p><b>MATHEMATICS</b></p> <p>(K-2) Increase the percentage of students making a year’s worth of academic gains as measured by i-Ready and Imagine Math Facts Assessments by 10 percentage points by May 2022.</p> <p>(3-5) Increase the percentage of students making a year’s worth of academic gains as measured by i-Ready and Imagine Math Facts Assessments by 10 percentage points by May 2022.</p>
<p><b>FOCUS AREAS READING</b></p> <p>(K-2) Recognize high frequency sight words</p> <p>(3-5) Read for fluency and comprehension</p>	<p><b>FOCUS AREAS: MATH</b></p> <p>(K-2) build fluency with addition and subtraction</p> <p>(3-5) build fluency with multiplication and division</p>

## Reservation of funds (1%)

Parents share in decision making regarding how the 1% of parent and family engagement funds are set-aside for parent engagement resources and activities. Parent input determines how the 1% of parent engagement funds are allotted for parent resources, materials, and technologies.

## Let’s Get Together!

Mimosa Elementary 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. All meetings for parents and family members will be held at various times, such as morning or evening hours, and offered in virtual and face-to-face formats. If transportation or childcare prevents your participation in family engagement activities, you may contact Loretta Pennington, Parent Liaison, at 470-254-9723 or [PenningtonL1@fultonschools.org](mailto:PenningtonL1@fultonschools.org) for more information.

### Curriculum Night – September 16, 2021 (K-2<sup>nd</sup>) and September 23, 2021 (3<sup>rd</sup> – 5<sup>th</sup>)

Learn about the expectations for your child’s class and grade this year, meet your child’s teacher, and get your questions answered.

### Annual Title I Parent Meeting – September 23, 2021

Learn about our Title I schoolwide program, including our parent and family engagement plan (PFEP), schoolwide plan, school-family compact, and parents’ requirements. Invitations will be sent home via a flyer, school website, and email.

### Technology Workshop (HAC & Copyright Piracy) – September 30, 2021

Gain information on how to navigate your child’s digital world; Digital Citizenship, copyright piracy; utilizing Infinite Campus, iReady, and Imagine Learning to monitor your child’s academic progress.

### Parent-Teacher Conferences – October 18-22, 2021, and as requested by parent or teacher

Meet with the teacher(s) to discuss your child’s goals, performance, and achievement toward mastery.

### Virtual Family Read-Aloud Literacy Night – October 19, 2021

Explore ELA games and resources to use at home with your child to improve reading and writing.

### Supporting English Learners in School/Home – November 3, 2021

Get informed about strategies, steps and resources for parents to help their child with English at home.

### Parent Resource Center (Open House) – November 4, 2021 (subject to change based upon health restrictions)

### Virtual Family Math Game Night – December 2, 2021

Engage in fun, everyday math activities and learn strategies and techniques to help your child.

### Parent Input Meeting – January 13, 2022

All parents are invited to review and give input on the school’s Title I plan, review and revise the school-family compact, parent and family engagement plan, and 1% family engagement budget.

### Georgia Milestones Meeting – January 13, 2022

Receive information about what the Georgia Milestones is, its purpose, testing schedule, sample questions, score reporting, and resources for you and your child.

### Kindergarten Transition Night – March 17, 2022

Prepare your child for a smooth transition to kindergarten. Understand the registration process and experience a day in the life of a Mimosa kindergarten student.

### Middle School Transition Night – April 14, 2022

Talk with the sixth-grade teachers to find out what you need to know before your child



## Parent Resource Center

The center is currently closed due to the COVID-19 pandemic until further notice. Contact Loretta Pennington, Parent Liaison, at 470-254-9723 or [PenningtonL1@fultonschools.org](mailto:PenningtonL1@fultonschools.org) on Mondays through Fridays from 7:10 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. with questions or for assistance.

## Parent and Family Engagement

Mimosa Elementary believes that family engagement means the participation of parents and family members in regular two-way, and meaningful communication involving student academic learning and other school activities, including ensuring:

- Parents play an integral role in assisting their child's learning.
- Parents are encouraged to be actively involved in their child's education at school.
- 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.
- Other activities are carried out as described in this plan.

## School-Family Compacts

As part of this plan, Mimosa Elementary and our families developed the School-Family Compact, which is an agreement 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 revised annually based on feedback from parents, students, and teachers. The School-Family Compact is shared during parent-teacher conferences. Copies are also available on our website and in the parent resource center.



## Mimosa Elementary is Branching Out!

Mimosa Elementary will take the following measures to promote and support parents and family members 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 and family engagement programs, meetings, School-Family Compacts, Parent and Family Engagement Plan, and other activities is published in both English and Spanish and posted on the school website.
- ✓ Provide monthly trainings for staff during their planning periods on strategies to improve communication with parents and ideas to increase family engagement with reading and math activities for our students outside of the classroom. Staff will also share best practices during regularly scheduled faculty meetings. The school also provides continuous communication to build staff capacity.
- ✓ Partner with early childhood programs, feeder middle schools, organizations, parent resource centers, or other programs (as applicable) to help prepare parents and their children for successful school transitioning.
- ✓ Share information in English and Spanish 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 schoolwide events and activities, through Blackboard, newsletters, social media, email and flyers.
- ✓ Work with our parents to develop relevant trainings and helpful presentations to educate our staff on the importance of parent and family engagement and how to support student learning.
- ✓ Provide necessary materials and handouts for parents at conferences, meetings, and activities to assist parents with working with their child to improve their child's achievement.
- ✓ Use our Partners in Education and School-Community Team to improve awareness of the activities and events listed in the School-Family Compact and Parent and Family Engagement Plan.
- ✓ Offer literacy and computer classes for parents and family members to help further enhance their various educational levels.
- ✓ Collect feedback from parents and family members at all events, as well as post parent feedback forms on the school website in order to respond to parents' requests for additional support for parent and family engagement activities.

The residential facilities for students in the Mimosa ES attendance area are included in the family engagement correspondence and activities.



## Parent and Family Engagement Standards

Mimosa Elementary 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 Community Team

Mimosa Elementary invites all parents to join the Parent Advisory Council to share ideas and ways to involve other parents and family members to build partnerships with school, families, and the community. The team will meet during the school year, but parents and family members can also submit their ideas or suggestions at any school activities and meetings, as well as through our parent surveys and website. To learn more about the Parent Advisory Council, please contact Loretta Pennington, Parent Liaison, at 470-254-9723 or [PenningtonL1@fultonschools.org](mailto:PenningtonL1@fultonschools.org).



## School Community Team

- Yes, I am interested and wish to join the Parent Advisory Council.
- Please contact me so I can learn more in joining the Parent Advisory Council.
- Please send me notifications about future meetings and updates.

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Child's Name and Grade: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

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 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:

Name: (optional) \_\_\_\_\_

Telephone Number: (optional) \_\_\_\_\_

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