



WOODLAND MIDDLE SCHOOL

A Title I School

"Believe, Achieve, Succeed"

Fulton County School System

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PARENT AND FAMILY ENGAGEMENT PLAN REVISED August 30, 2022

What is Title I?

Woodland Middle School is identified as a Title I school as part of the Elementary and Secondary Education Act of 1965 (ESEA). Title I Parent Family Engagement Plan is designed to support state and local school reform efforts tied to challenging state academic standards to reinforce and enhance efforts 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 parent and family engagement. All Title I schools must jointly develop a family engagement plan in writing and provide it to every participating family.

What is it?

This is a plan that describes how Woodland Middle School will provide opportunities to improve parent engagement to support student learning. Woodland Middle 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 Woodland Middle School will support parent and family engagement and how parents can help plan and participate in activities and events to promote student learning at school and home.

Who is it for?

All students participating in Title I, Part A program, and their families, are encouraged and invited to be full participants in the opportunities described in this plan. Woodland Middle School will provide opportunities for the participation of parents with limited English, parents with disabilities, and parents of migratory children.

How is it revised?

Woodland Middle School invited all parents to attend our Title I Parent Input meeting on March 23, 2022, to review and revise this parent and family engagement plan, as well as the schoolwide plan, our school-family compact, and the 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 parents feedback received during the year will be used to revise the plan for the next school year. The feedback form asks for suggestions on the plan and the use of the 1% of the family engagement funds. Parents can also give feedback during several parent meetings and activities throughout the school year.

Where is it available?

For the 2022-2023 school year, we have made this plan easily accessible to parents and the community on the Woodland Middle School website in the fall of each year before November 01. Teachers and staff of Woodland Middle School can also provide and review an attached copy via email of this family plan with you during any parent-teacher conference. Any family or community members can also obtain a hard copy of this plan from the Woodland Middle School main office during school hours.

Communication

Woodland Middle School will take the following actions to provide parents of participating children the following:

- Timely information about the Title I programs

- ❑ Flexible number of meetings, such as meetings in the morning or evening, and may provide with Title I funds, transportation, childcare or home visits, as such services relate to parent and family engagement.
- ❑ Information related to the school and parent programs, meetings, and other activities, is sent to the parents of participating children in an understandable and uniform format, including alternative formats upon request and, to the extent practicable, in a language the parents can understand.
- ❑ Woodland Middle School will provide at minimum 2 week notice for all parent workshops and activities scheduled for this school year. You may locate invitation or communications on the Woodland Website at <https://www.fultonschools.org/woodlandms>. The Blackboard Messenger platform is used to email, phone, and text information to parents, please make sure that any changes in email or phone numbers are updated with the front office. A monthly newsletter for more guidance or to schedule a visit to the parent resource center, please call Woodland’s Parent Liaison, Mrs. Franks-Smith, at (470) 254-8796 or email franksk@fultonschools.org.

ANNUAL TITLE I MEETING

Woodland Middle School will take the following actions to conduct an annual meeting, at a convenient time, and encourage and invite all parents of participating children to attend to inform them about the school’s Title I program, the nature of the Title I program, the parents’ requirements, the school parent and family engagement policy, the schoolwide plan, and the school-parent compact. The Annual Title I Meeting will be held on August 25, 2022 at 5PM. Should you be unable to attend this meeting presentation will be available September 1, 2022 on the school’s website.

School-Family Compact

- ❑ Parents, students, and teachers/staff work together to develop the School-Family Compact jointly.
- ❑ All parties agree to share responsibility for improved academic, student success. Parents, teachers/staff, and students partner together to achieve the State’s high standards. To build an equal partnership, stakeholders will review and revise our School-Family Compact in Spring 2022 at the Title I Stakeholder Input Meeting and through school-wide surveys. Feedback is welcome throughout the year.
- ❑ The Woodland Middle School-Family Compact for the 2022-2023 schoolyear will be distributed in multiple ways: on the school website before October 31, 2022, emailed directly to parents via Blackboard Messenger, available to review during parent conferences or during live parent meetings online.

Reservation of Funds

- ❑ Parents share in decision-making regarding how Title I funds are allocated. Title I budget stipulates parents and families will determine how a “set-aside of 1%” of the funds will be spent on family engagement resources and activities.
- ❑ Budget input for the 2022-2023 school year was collected in Spring 2022. Per feedback, Title I funds will be used to impact all students by providing additional teachers/paraprofessionals to reduce class size, and on extra academic supports to include professional development and instructional coaches.

Coordination of Services

- ❑ Woodland Middle School coordinates family engagement programs, activities, and strategies to help parents participate in their child’s education by reaching out to our feeder schools to invite families to attend the Parent Transitional meeting from 5th to 6th grade and 8th to 9th grade. We also strongly encourage families and students to attend fun family events such as school games and programs.

Building Capacity of Parents

- ❑ The school’s curriculum is provided to parents at our *Annual Title I Parent Meeting (see the presentation on the school’s website), Curriculum Night, Parent Resource Center workshops, and Student-Led Conferences.*
- ❑ Parents may gain more information about their child’s academic assessment results and interpretation of those results during student-led conferences. Questions regarding your child’s results may be directed to your child’s teacher or any member of the administrative team.
- ❑ Woodland Middle School uses assessments *GA Milestones End of Grade (EOG) and End Of Course Test (EOCT), iReady (Math and Reading)* to measure student progress and achievement levels of the challenging State’s academic standards.
- ❑ Parents can learn more about *The Georgia Standards of Excellence, Georgia Milestones, Fastbridge Testing, End of Course Test (EOCT), Title I, Part A (ESSA) requirements*, via the *Title I Annual Parent Meeting, Curriculum Night, Parent*

Resource Center workshops, Student-Led Conferences, and School Governance Council (SGC) meetings. Information is available on our website, and testing dates are shared via the school newsletter.

- ❑ Parents can support their child’s academic progress by partnering with their child’s teachers by using *Infinite Campus* and supporting their child’s use of *Infinite Campus*. The login and password for Infinite Campus may be located at <https://www.fultonschools.org/infinitecampus>. Instructions will be posted to the website or provided at Virtual Parent Resource Center workshops, and the Parent Liaison will offer training and materials to help parents to work with their child at home. Additional materials and training to help parents to work with their child to improve literacy, math, and technology (i.e. Copyright/Piracy, Office365, Teams, Digital Citizenship, and Safety). Parents and families will be provided an invitation to all events with 2 weeks’ notice to attend.

Building Capacity of School Staff and Capacity for Involvement

- ❑ Woodland Middle School values the utility of contributions of parents. We will educate school personnel on how to work effectively through *Building Staff Capacity Training* during the first and second semesters, and on-going secondary methods (i.e. email and social media) throughout the school year. Training will be based on the help and input shared from parents and families.
- ❑ The school is committed to working with parents to build ties between school and home by fostering 2-Way communication through evaluations/surveys, social media, email, comments, and feedback.
- ❑ Woodland Middle School will seek ways to incorporate the value and utility of our parents into our teachers’ *Grade Level Meetings* one or more times per the school year. Parents are invited to share ways in which teachers can best communicate with parents to strengthen student achievement.
- ❑ Woodland Middle School is open to hearing from our families, and we invite you to be part of our *dynamic Wolverine PTA*. Please let us know if you have any requests for family engagement activities. We welcome your ideas and wish to meet the needs of our families. Please contact your parent liaison if you would like to know more about our family engagement opportunities, have a question, or suggestion: Keteria Franks-Smith, *Title I Parent Liaison*, at or FranksK@fultonschools.org 470.254.8796

Parent and Family Engagement Opportunities “Mark Your Calendar!!”

AUGUST	JANUARY
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Sneak-a-Peek • Annual Title I Parent Meeting • Curriculum Night 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • New Year Resolutions: Homework Habits & Organization • Social Emotional Workshop • Technology Talk Refresher-Copy Right Piracy Review
SEPTEMBER	February
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Tackling Technology • Family Literacy Night 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Family Math Night • Parent Chat
October	March
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Parent Chat • ESOL- Parent Meeting 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Title I Stakeholder Input Meeting • Understanding the GA Milestones
November	April
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Parent 8th Grade Transitional Meeting • Open House for Parent Academy 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Open House for Parent Academy • Rising 6th Grade Transitional Meeting
December	• May
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Community Partner Appreciation • Parent Teacher Conference Update 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Successful Transitioning and Building the Summer Gap • Annual Title I Survey

GET INVOLVED!!

Additional virtual workshops may be added based on parent, teacher, students’ requests. Please check your email and our school’s website for announcements.

Let us Get Together!

Woodland Middle School will host the following events to build the capacity for strong parental involvement to support a partnership among the school, parents, and the community to improve student academic achievement.

Annual Title I Parent Meeting - August 25, 2022 at 5:00 pm

We invite all parents to learn about our Title I program, including our parent and family engagement plan, the schoolwide plan and budget, the school-family compacts, and parents' requirements and their rights to be involved. Parents are invited to this meeting by school website, school marquee, school messenger (phone and email), and flyer and text message.

Curriculum Night/Open House - August 25, 2022, at 6:00 pm

Meet your child's teacher and our friendly and helpful school staff. Understand the curriculum and learn how to monitor your child's progress using Infinite Campus. A Team's meeting link will be provided by email and text message; you may also access via the WMS website

Family Literacy Night- September 2022

Learn new strategies to make reading comprehension fun at home

Tackling Technology - September 2022 (Understanding the Harms of Copyright Piracy)

Fulton County uses several educational apps for learning, to better assist families we offer an overview and training on iReady, Microsoft Teams, Infinite Campus and many more student platforms. You may also sign up for additional tech support.

English Learners Parent Workshop - October 2022

For English learners only. Learn how to make reading fun at home, and how to use translation options for Infinite Campus or request translator for parent meetings

Catch up with the latest resources to help support your child's learning at home. Receive additional training on Microsoft Teams and Infinite Campus

Family Math Night- February 2023

Learn how to make math fun at home. We will review math strategies and resources used in the classroom. Parents may review the schools math goals provided in the compact agreement, attending math night will equip parents to assist at home with math strategies and concepts.

Stakeholders Input Meeting- March 2023

Parents and Families, Community Members, Students and Teachers will share input on the schools compact, it will be revised based on the achievements and grow areas needed from the current school year.

Successful Transitioning and Bridging the Summer Gap- May 2023

Help your child transition from elementary to middle and from middle to high school; learn strategies to help your child continue to grow academically throughout the summer months.

Parent-Teacher-Student Conferences- Monitor your child's progress by scheduling a conference in advance. Parents may request or sign up for parent teacher conferences. You may contact your student's teacher via email from your Infinite Campus Parent Portal account. Teachers have 48 hours to respond to any concerns or questions. Each grade level will provide an invite to parents to sign up for conferences during the week designated during the Fall and Spring semesters. Mrs. Franks-Smith your parent liaison can also assist you with scheduling a parent teacher conference or classroom visit.



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