

Satilla Elementary School

Parental Involvement Policy and
Plan for Shared Student Success



2017—2018 School Year

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What is Title 1?

Satilla Elementary is identified as a Title 1 school as part of the Elementary and Secondary Act of 1965 (ESEA). Title 1 is designed to support State and local school reform efforts tied to challenging state academic standards in reforce and enhance efforts to improve teaching and learning for students. Title 1 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?

This is a plan that describes how Satilla Elementary will provide opportunities to improve parent engagement to support student learning. Satilla Elementary 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 Satilla Elementary 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 revised?

Satilla Elementary School invited all parents to attend several meetings in the winter and spring months to review and revise this parental involvement policy, as well as the schoolwide plan, our school-parent compact and the parental involvement budget. The plan 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 online and by the Parent/School Communication folder to ask parents for their suggestions on the plan and the use of funds for parental involvement.

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. Satilla Elementary 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, a paper copy of the plan is distributed to each student. The plan is also posted on the school Web site and on Facebook. In addition, copies of the plan are emailed through Peachjar. Additional copies are available at the Annual Title 1 Meeting, in the Parent Resource Center and at Satilla Elementary School's front office.



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2017-2018 District Goals

- ⇒ The Coffee County School System will increase the percentage of students scoring at the Developing level or above in English Language Arts on the Georgia Milestones End of Grade (EOG) Assessment.
- ⇒ The Coffee County School System will increase the percentage of students scoring at the developing level or above in Mathematics on the Georgia Milestones End of Grade (EOG) Assessment.

2017-2018 School Goals

- ⇒ Goal 1 - 50% of 2nd-5th grade students will score on grade level or higher according to the Reading Lexile Inventory and/or GMAS.
- ⇒ Goal 2 - 5% of 3rd-5th grade students will increase from previous year in proficient learner or higher (levels 3-4) in ALL subject areas on GMAS.
- ⇒ Goal 3- 10% of K-2 students will increase their basic phonemic awareness/phonics foundation, as well as math #sense & basic computation.
- ⇒ Goal #4- 100% of all students in K-5 will participate in focused activities to increase physical, social, and positive behavioral skills effecting academic achievement.

School-Parent Compacts

As part of this plan, Satilla Elementary and our families developed a school-parent compact, which is an agreement that parents, teachers, and students will work together to make sure all our students reach grade level standards. The compacts are reviewed annually based on feedback from parents, students, and teachers during Spring revision meetings. Satilla will use these compacts throughout the year as an agreement to “W” - Work as a Team! Copies are provided to each parent and are available on the school website, Facebook, and through Peachjar.

Satilla Elementary 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. Some meetings are held during the morning, afternoon, or evening. Please check your child's communication folder and Facebook for times and reminders of events!

Schoolwide Open House –August 2017

We invite you to come meet your child's teacher and learn about expectations for the school year.

ESOL Fiestas—August 31, 2017 & January 18, 2018

ESOL families will come fellowship and learn about the ESOL program, ACCESS Test and scoring. In addition, they will learn how they can help their child at home.

Annual Title I Meeting – August 31, 2017 (ESOL Parents) & September 28, 2017

We invite you to an evening of learning and sharing about our Title I program, including our parental involvement policy, the schoolwide plan, the school-parent compacts, and parents' requirements. Invitations will be e-mailed and posted in the school newsletter and local media.

Parent-Teacher and Student-led Conferences – September 14, 2017 & February 15, 2017

Scheduled updates on your child's progress.

Parent Resource Center Open House & TechSavvy Parents – September 14, 2017

Come visit the Parent Resource Center and find ways to help your child at home. Assistance for basic internet/computer use, finding websites, and Parent Portal will be available.

Annual Title 1 Meeting & Movie Night – September 28, 2017 Come get the 411 on Title 1 Funds and how you can be ACTIVE at Satilla. Then enjoy a movie with your bulldog!

PAWSOME Assemblies—October 26 -27, 2017; January 18-19, 2018; March 22—23, 2018; May 18—23, 2018

Writing Workshops – October 26-27, 2017

Learn how to help your child become a better writer.

Pumpkin Palooza – October 30-31, 2017

Come paint a pumpkin with your Bulldog!

Fall Festival – TBA

Reading Around the Campfire—December 19, 2017

Parents will have “Smore” fun as we hear the Show Choir Sing, and enjoy learning how to help their child with reading; as well as understanding Lexiles.

Math Workshops January 18-19, 2018

Gain knowledge of how to help your child in math.

STEAM Night – January 25, 2017

Get on track with Science and Math!

History Mystery Night—February 22, 2018

Use reading skills to make predictions about famous people and events in US History.

Dr. Seuss Family Fun Day – March 2, 2018

Read/do activities with your child's class.

GMAS Q&A—March 23, 2018

Learn about the GMAS, test taking skills, and things you can do as a parent to help your child be successful.

Get Moving! – TBA (April 2018)

Enjoy playing sports and field day games with your child! Medals will be awarded.

Title 1 Revision Meetings— January 18, 2018, February 8, 2018, & April/May 17, 2018 Connect with the school and community to build a better school and review school plans.

Show Choir Performance—April/May 17, 2018

Parent Resource Center

Come visit the Parent Resource Center (Just past the “checker board” 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.

PRC is open daily, 7:00 am – 3:00 pm



Parental Involvement

Satilla Elementary believes that parental involvement 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 an integral role in assisting their child's learning.
- That parents are encouraged to be actively involved in their child's education at school.
- 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.
- The carrying out of other activities as described in this plan.

Satilla is PAWSOME!



Satilla Elementary 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 all information related to school and parent programs, meetings, and other activities are published in both English and Spanish.
- ⇒ Provide trainings for staff on strategies to improve communication with parents and ideas to increase family engagement. Staff will also share best practices with their peers.
- ⇒ Partner with Head Start and Early Reading programs by sending school information about parent engagement activities to help prepare parents and their child for kindergarten and improve school transition.
- ⇒ Share information in English and Spanish on the school website, Facebook, Peachjar, and the newsletter/calendar 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.
- ⇒ Communicated with all families and the community on a regular basis regarding school-wide events and activities, through phone message, 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.
- ⇒ Use our Partners in Education to improve awareness of the activities and events listed in the school parental involvement policy.
- ⇒ Offer opportunities for parents to further enhance technology skills.
- ⇒ Collect feedback from parents at all events, by placing input cards around the building for parents to make requests for additional support for parental involvement activities.

Parental Involvement Standards

Satilla 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:

Welcoming All Families
Communicating Effectively
Supporting Student Success
Speaking Up for Every Child
Sharing Power
Collaborating with Community

Volunteers

We would love to have you volunteer! Please complete the box in the upper right hand corner of this page and return to school!

Satilla Elementary invites all parents to share ideas and ways to involve other parents to build partnerships with school, families, and the community. In addition, Satilla Elementary has a Parent Advisory Council (PAC) that meets monthly to discuss ways to make Satilla a great place to be! We would love to encourage you to also take an active role and be a member of PTO! There are so many ways YOU as a parent can be involved!

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School Volunteer

Yes, I am interested in volunteering at my child's school/classroom.
Please contact me so I can learn more volunteering
Please send me notifications about future meetings and updates

Name: _____

Child's Name and Grade: _____

Address: _____

Phone Number: _____

Email address: _____

Interest: _____

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) _____
