

**Parent and Family Engagement Plan
2017-2018 School Year**

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What is Title I?

C. B. Watson Primary School (CBWPS) is identified as a Title I school as a 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 Success

What is it? The C. B. Watson Primary School's Parent and Family Engagement Plan describes how our school will provide opportunities to improve family engagement to support student learning. CBWPS values the contributions and engagement of parents and family members to establish an equal partnership for the common goal of improving student achievement. This plan describes how parents and families can partner with CBWPS and help develop and participate in activities and events to promote student learning at school and at home.

How is it revised? All families are invited to attend our annual Shared Decision Making Meeting held each spring. Families are asked to review and give feedback on Title I documents (Engagement Plan, Schoolwide Plan, Compact, and budget including the 1% set aside). Parents and families unable to attend are welcome to have copies of materials sent home for review CBWPS welcomes input on the plan at any time during the year. Our post-event surveys are reviewed to help improve activities. The annual Title I Parent and Family Satisfaction Survey allows parents to give feedback on the year's events, required notifications, communication and budget. All feedback is taken into consideration when planning for the next school year. Unsatisfactory comments regarding the Schoolwide Plan are reported to the district.

Who is it for? This plan is 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. CBWPS will provide full opportunity for the participation of parents and family members with limited English, with disabilities, of migratory children.

Where is it available? The Parent and Family Engagement Plan is included in the Title I Handbook that is given to all parents and families during new student orientation at the beginning of their placement at CBWPS. The plan is also available on the school website and in the Parent Resource office. Parents can request a copy be sent home to them at any time during the school year.

2017-18 District Goals

Increase the value of the overall district College and Career Ready Performance Index (CCRPI) score by 3% by focusing on high quality standards-based instruction, literacy, and Multi-Tier Systems of Support.

Increase the percentage of parents who feel their child's school provides various opportunities for engagement.

2017-18 School Goals

Increase percentage of students reading on or above grade level by 5% by May 2018.

Increase percentage of students mastering math standards at grade level by 5% by May 2018.

School-Parent Compacts

Part of the CBWPS Parent and Family Engagement Plan is our School-Parent Compact. The compact is a document that explains what teachers, parents and students each will do in effort to work together to make sure that our students successfully meet state, district and school goals. This compact will be reviewed and revised each year based on input from parents, students and teachers. All parents and families are invited to provide feedback through shared decision making meetings or after reviewing the documents at home. Teachers, parents and students are all asked to sign the compact. The signed compacts are kept on file and families receive a copy at orientation. Also, on an on-going basis, the compact is discussed during parent-teacher conferences.

Parent and Family Engagement Program and Activities

The C. B. Watson Primary Watson School plans the following events to build the capacity for strong parent and family engagement and to support a partnership among school, parents, and the community to improve student academic achievement. Meetings and events are scheduled at various times and in different formats to accommodate the needs of our families.

Events	Descriptions	Dates
Annual Title I Meeting	All Parent are invited to learn about our Title I program including our Engagement Plan, Compact, School wide Plan and parents' requirements.	August 2017
Open House	Follow your student's schedule to learn about academic standards, assessments and expectations for each class.	August 2017
Grandparents Lunch and Learn	Grandparents are invited to eat lunch and learn math and reading standards and strategies. Teachers will provide activities.	September 2017
Parent Action Team Meeting	All parents are invited to participate. The Team will share their ideas, provide feedback, and plan events for parent engagement.	September 2017 April 2017
Reading PACT Time	Teachers will host Parent and Child Time to present Reading data, standards, and strategies to use at home to promote reading. Parents are invited to come during the school and interact with their children in the classroom as they utilize reading strategies.	September 2017 January 2018 April 2018
Math PACT Time	Teachers will host Parent and Child Time to present math data, standards, and strategies to use at home to promote math. Parents are invited to come during the school day and interact with their children in the classroom as they utilize math strategies.	November 2017 March 2017 April 2018
Family Math Night: Digital Learning	Parents will learn about the grade level standards for Math. Parents will learn math strategies and how to make math fun at home. Teachers will provide resources for parents and children to learn math through technology. Take home activities are available.	October 2017
Family Literacy Night at the Book Fair	Teachers will provide literacy activities for parents and students to engage in together. Parents can visit the Book Fair. Take home resources are available. Literacy bags are available for parents in the Parent Resource Center.	November 2017
Charm Readings	Our school's reading goal is to read one million minutes collectively. Students should read and record their reading minutes. Parents are asked to sign off verifying the minutes read. Incentives and rewards are given for motivation. Students are recognized for being the top readers at their grade level.	On-going

Parent and Family Engagement Standards

CB Watson has 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**

Parent and Family Engagement

CB Watson 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 –

- That parents play an integral role in assisting their child's learning;
- That parents are encouraged to be actively engaged 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.

Our Pledge to our Parents and Families

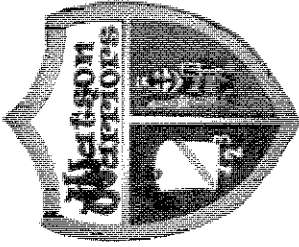
CB Watson Primary will take the following measures to promote and support parents as equal partners in their child's education. In order to reach our goal of the highest quality of student achievement, CBWP5 pledges to support our students and their families as the foundation of the school. We will:

- ✓ Ensure that all information related to school and parent programs, meetings and other activities is published in both English and Spanish and posted on the website.
- ✓ Provide training for staff on the value and contribution of parents, on ways to improve communication, on ideas to build strong partnerships with families, on providing information in a friendly format and on responding to parent requests at least four times during the school year.
- ✓ Partner with Head Start and early learning centers to provide resources to help prepare parents and their students for successful school transitioning.
- ✓ Share information/materials related to school and parent engagement activities, meeting and workshops in English and Spanish.
- ✓ Communicate with all families and the community on a regular basis regarding schoolwide events through school messenger, social media, school website, newsletters and flyers.
- ✓ Work with 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 information for parents to better understand Georgia Standards of Excellence and assessments for all grade levels.
- ✓ Collaborate with stakeholders and community/business leaders to increase awareness of family and community engagement programs.
- ✓ Connect families to classes to help further enhance our parent's various educational backgrounds.
- ✓ Collect feedback from parents and family members after academic events in order to respond to parents' request for additional support for engagement activities.

Parent Resource Center

Come visit the Parent Resource Center to get resources on how to help your child be successful in school and life.

Monday – Friday,
8am - 4:30pm
Room 613



CBWPS want to help all our families participate in our parent and family engagement activities. If you need assistance attending events, please let us know. We can also provide program materials to you if you are unable to attend.

Contact our Parent and Family Engagement Coordinator for more information and assistance.

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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) _____

Comments:
