

Northside High School Parent Engagement Plan

2016-2017 School Year



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What is Title I?

Northside High School is identified as a Title I school as part of the Elementary and Secondary Education Act of 1965 (ESEA). Title I is designed to support State and local school reform efforts tied to challenging State academic standards in order to reinforce and enhance efforts to improve teaching and learning for students. Title I programs are based on effective means of improving student achievement and including 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 Northside High School (NHS) will provide opportunities to improve parent engagement to support student learning. NHS values the contributions and involvement of parents in order to establish an equal partnership for the common goal of improving student achievement. This plan describes the different ways that NHS 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? Northside High School welcomes parent input and comments at any time regarding the plan and the use of funds. Parent feedback will be used to revise the Parent Involvement Plan and Compact for the next year. NHS encourages parents to provide feedback at any time during the school year by:

- Utilizing the suggestion boxes located at both NHS and Tabor main offices.
- Participating on the Parent Action Team
- Responding to the Annual Parent Satisfaction Survey
- Submitting comments via the school's website
- Participating in the Shared Decision Making Parent Meeting

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. NHS 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, the Parent Involvement Plan is included in the Title I Parent Handbook that is provided to all students to take home. This plan is available on NHS website, in the Parent Resource Room, and by request.



District Achievement Goals

2016-2017

- Increase the value of the district College and Career Readiness Performance Index (CCRPI) score by ensuring that each Houston County School provides high quality instruction aligned with state standards with a focus on literacy, standards-based instruction and Response to Intervention (RTI).
- Increase the percentage of parents who feel their child's school provides various opportunities for engagement.



School Goals

2016 – 2017

We will increase the value of the CCRPI score from a baseline of 71.1 to 73 in the 2016 – 2017 school year.

We will increase the percentage of graduates in the four-year cohort from a baseline of 80.4 to 83 in the 2016 – 2017 school year.

NHS Parent Engagement Events

Orientation

Parents and Students will have the opportunity to explore the school and receive information that will help their student transition into high school.

Open House

Experience “A Day in the Life of your NHS Student”. Parents receive their student’s schedule and attend each class. Parents meet with teachers to learn about academic expectations for the year.

Annual Title I Meeting

We invite you to an evening of learning & sharing about our Title I program, including our parental involvement policy, the school wide plan, the school-parent compacts, and parent’s requirements.

Freshman Parent Information Night

Parents will be invited to pick up their Freshman students very first progress report and sign up for a Parent/Teacher Conferences. We will also have hands on help with Infinite Campus.

Senior Parent Night

Seniors and their parents will meet to review graduation requirements, and review their graduation plan. Important information about SAT/ACT testing and preparation will be distributed.

Parent Conferences for targeted Intervention

The Intervention specialist will select students that would benefit from academic intervention. These conferences will allow the families, students and teachers to discuss and formulate a plan to improve student performance.

S.T.E.M. Night

Teachers and students will present helpful information and hands on presentations on science, technology, math, and engineering topics currently being taught in class.

Newsletters

An informative school newsletter will be distributed 2 times per year detailing school academics and events

Pre Advisement /College Fair Night for Parents and Students

Counselors and Dept. Chairs from academic and career tech programs will present choices available for students the 2016/2017 school year. Dual enrollment, AP Classes, Credit Recovery, Career Pathways, as well as course selection will be presented. Parents and students will meet with college representatives and learn which programs, admission requirements, and financial aid opportunities are available for different colleges.

Evening Advisement

Parents and students will meet with academic advisors to schedule classes for the upcoming year. They will also discuss progress toward graduation. Parents will leave with their child’s graduation plan and with documentation of what is necessary for their child to be ready to graduate.

Parent Action Team (PAT)

All parents and community members are invited to participate. Meetings will be held twice per year. This team will help plan parent events and review Title I documents for the school year.

Basic Computer Classes for Parents

These classes cover basic use of the computer including navigating the web.

NHS classes are taught by teachers and student volunteers. To sign up, please contact Bruce VanBibber 478-988-6396, or David McDermott 478-988-6222

Parent/Student Social Activities

Administrators and faculty will facilitate social activities for students, parents, and guardians. These groups will be used as a way to informally meet in a social setting and encourage positive relationships in school and at home. Examples: Game Night, Mentoring Programs, Craft activities, Social gatherings, and many other suggested activities

School-Parent Compacts

NHS and our families will develop 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 compact will be reviewed and updated annually based on feedback from parents, students, and teachers. Please review this document with your child. The compact is reviewed during parent/teacher conferences.



Parent Resource Center

Come visit the Parent Resource Center
Monday – Friday
7:45 am – 3:30 pm

Northside High School is committed to helping our parents attend the parental activities listed in this plan. Please call or email us if you need assistance with childcare or transportation in order to participate in our programs.

478-929-7858 or email

nyquell.terry@hcbe.net

The NHS Eagles are Soaring High

Northside High School 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, the school pledges to implement the following:

- ✓ Ensure that all information related to school and parent programs, meeting, and other activities is published in both English and Spanish, and posted on the school website and included in the school newsletter.
- ✓ Provide trainings for staff during their planning periods on strategies to improve communication with parents and ideas to increase family engagement.
- ✓ Provide high quality instruction that is aligned with the state standards so each student has every opportunity to master each standard.
- ✓ Implement standards-based classrooms while utilizing best practices in all subject areas.
- ✓ Share information in multiple ways 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 on a regular basis via phone calls, emails, text messages, 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 materials for parents at conferences, meetings and activities to help parents work with their child to improve their child's academic achievement.
- ✓ Collaborate with community leaders and business groups to increase participation and awareness of the school parental engagement plan and activities.
- ✓ Provide info regarding literacy and computer classes for parents to help further enhance their various educational levels.
- ✓ Listen and respond to parents' requests for additional support for parental engagement activities.

Parental Engagement Standards

Northside High School and our Parents have adopted the National Network of Partnerships as the school's model in engaging parents, students, and community. These standards are:

- Parenting
- Communication
- Volunteering
- Learning at home
- Decision Making
- Collaborating with the Community

Parent Action Team We Need YOU!

Northside High School invites all parents to participate in the Parent Action Team to share ideas and ways to involve other parents to build partnerships with school, families, and the community. The team will meet twice a year.

If you would like to learn more about PAT, please contact Nyquell Terry, our Parent Involvement Coordinator, at (478) 929-7858, ext. 41524 or nyquell.terry@hcbe.net

Parent Action Team

- Yes, I am excited about joining the Parent Action Team
- Yes, please contact me so I can learn more about the Parent Action Team
- Yes, this sounds like a great idea, please keep me posted about future meetings

Name: _____

Student'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) _____
