

Myers Elementary School



Parent and Family Engagement Policy and Plan for Shared Student Success

2024-2025 School Year

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What is Title I?

Myers 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 challenging State academic standards in order 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 family engagement. All Title I schools must jointly develop with all parents and family members a written parent and family engagement policy.

School Plan for Shared Student Achievement

What is it?

This is a plan that describes how Myers Elementary will provide opportunities to improve family engagement to support student learning. Myers Elementary values the contributions and involvement of parents and family members to establish an equal partnership for the common goal of improving student achievement. This plan describes the different ways that Myers Elementary will support 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?

Myers Elementary School invited all parents to attend our annual input parent meeting last spring to review and revise this parent and family engagement policy, as well as the schoolwide plan, our school-parent compact, and the family engagement budget. Additionally, parent input and comments regarding this plan are welcome during the school year through an online form. 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 also distribute an annual survey online to ask parents for their suggestions on the plan and the use of funds for family engagement. Parents and family members can also give feedback during several parent meetings and activities during the school year including our annual parent input 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. Myers Elementary will provide full opportunity for the participation of parents and family members with limited English, with disabilities, and of migratory children.

Where is it available?

At the beginning of the year, after revision, we will send the plan to all parents in August via Remind before the scheduled open house event. The plan will also be posted on the school website and social media. Parents can also retrieve a copy of the plan in the Parent Resource Center.

2024-2025 District Goals

FY25 Goal 1: By the end of FY25, the percentage of students in each subgroup moving into the "Proficient" and Distinguished" levels of performance on the Georgia Milestones Assessments will increase by 2% in the "Proficient" and "Distinguished" levels of performance.

FY25 Goal 2: By the end of FY25, increase the percentage of referred students who access school based mental health services in order to increase the overall school climate rating for HCSD by 1%.

2024-2025 Myers Elementary Goals

The **LITERACY GOAL** OF MES 2024-2025 school year, **55% OF STUDENTS WILL MEET OR EXCEED Fall TO SPRING PROJECTED GROWTH TARGET AS MEASURED BY NWEA-MAP ELA. BASELINE DATA IS Spring 2024 TO SPRING 2024 MAP GROWTH.**

THE **NUMERACY GOAL** OF MES 2024- 2025 SCHOOL YEAR, **63% OF STUDENTS WILL MEET OR EXCEED FALL TO SPRING PROJECTED GROWTH TARGET AS MEASURED BY NWEA-MAP Math. BASELINE DATA IS Spring 2024 TO SPRING 2025 MAP GROWTH.**

MES will increase the schoolwide median achievement percentile by 3%, from the 34th percentile (baseline Spring 2024) to the 37th percentile by Spring 2025 on the ELA MAP Growth Assessment.

MES will increase the schoolwide median achievement percentile by 3%, from the 42nd percentile (baseline Spring 2024) to 45th percentile by Spring 2025 on the Math MAP Growth Assessment.

During the FY25 school year, we will increase family engagement and participation in order to support school improvement literacy and numeracy goals.

School-Parent Compacts

As part of this plan, Myers Elementary and our families will develop a school-parent compact, which is an agreement that parents, teachers, and students will develop 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 updated annually based on feedback from parents, students, and teachers during the Parent Annual event and the Parent Input meeting. The School-parent compact also are shared with parents during parent-teacher conferences and kept with each child's teacher if parents need another copy.



Let's Get Together!

Myers 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.

Open House – July 31, 2024 3:00- 6:00 pm

Meet your child's teacher and our friendly helpful school staff for the school year.

Curriculum Night for grades K-5 – August 22, 2024 5:00-6:30 pm

Meet with your child's teacher, they will share out effective routines, practices and expectations to help your child be successful in literacy and numeracy this school year. (Grades K-1) 5:00-5:30 (Grades 2-3) 5:30-6:00 (Grades 4-5) 6:00-6:30

Monthly Parent Academy meetings- 9:00am-10:00am

We invite parents to attend sessions with specific topics, such as, Literacy, Eureka Math, Technology uses, GA Milestones testing, Access testing, 5th to 6th transitions, Parent Portal, and other timely topics.

Annual Title I Meeting – October 10, 2024 9:00am Zoom and 5:30pm in person

We invite you to an evening of learning and sharing about our Title I program, including our parent and family engagement policy, school budgets, the schoolwide plan, the school-parent compacts, and parents' requirements. Invitations will be posted in the school newsletter, school website, social media, and Remind.

Parent-Teacher and Student Conferences – October 2024- February 2025 via zoom, phone or in person

Teacher will update on your child's progress and growth in literacy and numeracy.

MAP Growth and Student Achievement – January 23, 2025 9:00am zoom and 5:30pm in person

Learn about how to know if your child is making adequate progress and how you can assist your child in enhancing his/her knowledge.

Annual Title 1 Input Meeting – March 20, 2025 9:00am Zoom and 5:30pm in person

Parent revise and give suggestions on our school improvement plan, comprehensive needs assessment, parent and family engagement policy, school- parent compacts and family engagement budget. A forum for parents and family members to participate in roundtable discussions with the principal and staff regarding the school wide plan, parent and family engagement policy, school-parent compacts, and the family engagement budget.

Parental and Family Engagement

Myers Elementary believes that parent and family engagement means the participation of parents and families 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.

Myers Elementary is committed to helping our parents and families attend the family activities listed in this policy. Please call or email us if you need assistance with child care or transportation in order to participate in our programs.

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Myers Elementary is Branching Out!

Myers 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 programs, meetings, and other activities is published in both English and Spanish, posted on the school website, and included in the monthly school newsletter for all families.
- Participate in Canvas professional development modules at least four times a year to train staff on strategies to improve communication with parents and ideas to increase family engagement.
- Partner with early childhood programs, middle and high schools, college and career ready resources or organizations, parent resource centers, or other programs (as applicable) to help prepare parents and their children for successful school transitioning including 5th to 6th grade.
- Share information in English and Spanish on the school parent newsletter and 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 phone messages, Remind, social media, and flyers.
- An annual orientation meeting where parents will meet their child's teacher and be reassured of their right and responsibility to be involved in their child's education. (August Open House and Title I meeting)
- One Head-start Pre-K is housed at Myers and students are involved with most regular school activities. Spring orientation is provided for community Pre-K programs for students to visit the schools.
- Use our Partners in Education and School-Community Team to improve awareness of the activities and events listed in the school parent and family engagement policy.
- Offer literacy and computer classes for parents and family members to help further enhance their various educational levels.
- An online survey (yearly) for all parents will be conducted to collect opinions and concerns of parents about the current program and to collect suggestions for improvement and topics for meetings that meet the needs of parents.
- Partner with Head Start through the District Parent Outreach Facilitator. The District Parent Outreach Facilitator meets with parents and families providing information and resources to support school orientation for parents, families and students to assist in successful student transitions to kindergarten.

Parent and Family Engagement Standards

Myers 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

Parent Resource Center

Come visit the Parent Resource Center 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.

Monday – Friday, 7:30 am – 2:30 pm

Myers Elementary invites all parents to join the School Community Team 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 four times 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. If you would like to learn more about the School Community Team, please contact the principal at (770) 536-0814 or complete the interest form and leave it in the Main Office.

School Community Team

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

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 regarding this plan and the students' or 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) _____
