

Long County Middle School

Parent/ Family Engagement Plan for Shared Student Success 2019-2020 School Year



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What is Title I?

Title I, Part A is a part of the Elementary and Secondary Education Act of 1965 as amended by the Every Student Succeeds Act (ESSA). This Act provides federal funds through the Georgia Department of Education to local educational agencies (LEAs) and public schools with high numbers or percentages of economically disadvantaged children to help ensure that all children meet challenging state academic content and student academic achievement standards. Title I, Part A programs must be based on effective means of improving student achievement and include strategies to support parent/family engagement.

The Title I, Part A Program division provides technical assistance, resources, and program monitoring of LEAs to ensure that all children have an opportunity to obtain a high quality education and to achieve proficiency on high academic standards.

School Plan for Shared Student Achievement

What is it? This is a plan that describes how Long County Middle School will provide opportunities to improve parent/family engagement to support student learning. Long County Middle School values the contributions and engagement of parents/families in order to establish an equal partnership for the common goal of improving student achievement. This plan describes the different ways that Long County Middle School will support parent/family engagement and how parents/families can help plan and participate in activities and events to promote student learning at school and at home.

How is it developed? Long County Middle School welcomes parent/family input and comments at any time regarding the plan. All parent/family feedback will be used to revise the plan for next year. The plan is posted on our school website for parents/families to view and post feedback throughout the year. We also distribute an annual survey online and have handouts that are available to send home with the students asking parents/families for their suggestions on the plan and the use of funds for parent/family engagement. Parents/Families can also give feedback during our annual Title I meeting and various meetings throughout the year.

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. Long County Middle School will provide full opportunity for the participation of parents/families with limited English, parents/families with disabilities, and parents/families of migratory children.

Where is it available? It is sent home with all students prior to November 1st. The packet also includes the Parent-Compact and Parent/Family Engagement Board Policy Plan. Parents can also retrieve a copy from the school front office, or school website www.longcountyms.com.

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Goals for Academic Achievement

2019-2020

-Long County School District will improve by 3% in all content areas as measured by the 2019-2020 GMAS.

-Long County Middle School will improve student achievement by increasing the number of students performing at Tier 1 as measured by* Istation Indicator of Progress.

** Includes text fluency, comprehension, vocabulary, and spelling*



School-Parent Compacts

As part of this plan, Long County Middle School and our families will develop a school-parent compact, which is an agreement that parents, teachers, and students will develop together that explains how parents/families and teachers will work together to make sure all students reach grade-level standards. The compacts will be reviewed and updated annually based on feedback from parents/families, students, and teachers during the Title I meetings and Advisory Team meetings. The school-parent compacts are kept in the Long County Middle School front office or can be obtained online at www.longcountyms.com

Let's Get Together!

Long County Middle School will host the following events to build capacity for strong parent/family engagement to support a partnership among the school, parents/families, and the community to improve student academic achievement:

Open House – August 1, 2019

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

Annual Title I Meeting- September 19, 2019

- We invite you to an evening of learning and sharing about our Title I program, including our parent involvement policy, the school wide plan, the school-parent compacts, and the parents' requirements. Information will be posted in all schools, on social media and the school and district websites.

Curriculum Day - September 19, 2019

- Be informed of what your child is learning in each subject and the expectations for the class.

Mad Scientist Night- November 7, 2019

- Parents/families are invited to come learn more about science and participate in hands on demonstrations that could bring the Mad Scientist out in anyone.

Book Fair- September, December, and March

- Come fuel your child's love of reading. The Book Fair will be open the entire week of these dates.



Parent/Family Engagement

Long County Middle School believes that parent/family engagement means the participation of parents/families in regular two-way, meaningful communication involving student academic learning and other school activities, which ensures the following:

- Parents/families play an integral role in assisting their child's learning.
- Parents/families are encouraged to be actively engaged in their child's education at school.
- Parents/families 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.

**Long County Middle School is committed to helping our families attend the parent/family activities listed in this plan. Please call or email us if you need assistance.
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Long County Middle School is Branching Out!

Long County Middle School 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 that all information related to school, parent/family programs, meetings, and other activities is posted on the school web site, newsletters or communication apps (ex. Remind).
- Conduct staff development on parent/family engagement practices and effective strategies for staff to communicate and build partnerships with parents.
- Share information on the school website for parents/families to understand the school's academic standards and assessments, as well as PowerSchool access to track their child's progress.
- Communicate with all families and the community on a regular basis regarding school wide events and activities, through phone/text messages, Remind, Web site updates, and flyers.
- Work with our parents/families to develop relevant trainings and helpful presentations to educate our staff on the importance of parental/family engagement.
- Provide necessary materials for parents/families at conferences, meetings, and activities to help families work with their child to improve achievement.
- Listen and respond to parent/family requests for additional support for parent/family engagement activities.
- Provide parents/families documents, information, and materials in Spanish upon request.

Encouraging, enlightening, and empowering students to become productive members of a democratic society.

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Parent/Family Engagement Standards

Long County Middle School wants to create a relationship that is engaging to parents/families, 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

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VOLUNTEER AT SCHOOL!!!!

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