

Creekside Elementary School

Parental Involvement Policy and Plan for Shared Student Success

2016–2017 School Year

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What is Title I?

Creekside Elementary 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 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 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 Creekside Elementary will provide opportunities to improve parent engagement to support student learning. Creekside 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 Creekside 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?

Creekside Elementary School invited all parents to provide input and suggestions through a survey last spring to review and revise this parental involvement policy, as well as the schoolwide plan, our school-parent compact and the parental involvement budget. Additionally, parent input and comments regarding this plan are welcome during the school year through. 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. Parents can also give feedback during several parent meetings and activities during the school 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. Creekside 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, the plan is included in the Title I Parent Handbook that is given to all students. The plan will also be posted on the school Web site.

2016–17 District Goals

All students will reach high standards at a minimum attaining proficiency or better in reading/language arts and mathematics on the state assessment.

2016–17 School Goals

The school administration, teachers, and staff met and discussed data as it relates to student performance. It was determined that all subject areas need attention.

- We will show a 5% increase in all subject areas of students scoring proficient or higher.

Focus Areas

The academic focus area for the 2016-2017 school year will be literacy.

We are working to increase reading proficiency by concentrating on the following areas

- Vocabulary development in grades K-2
- Reading Comprehension in grades 3-5

School-Parent Compacts

As part of this plan, Creekside 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 School Forum. The school-parent compacts are kept with each child's teacher if parents need a copy.



Let's Get Together!

Creekside 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. All meetings for parents will be held in the evening at 6:00 pm unless otherwise noted.

Annual Title I Meeting – August 30, 2016 @ 5:00

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. Reservations of Title I Funds will be discussed. Invitations will be in the school newsletter, social media, website, and school sign.

Open House – August 30, 2016

Meet your child's teacher and our friendly and helpful school staff for the year. Academic and testing information will be provided.

Science in September – September 27, 2016

Participate in Science Experiments with your child.

Teach – er Treat Night – October 31, 2016 5:00-6:30 (Fire House on Dunlap)

Get a treat as your child practices with academic games.

Thankful Teachers for Math – November Time & Location TBA

Participate in Math Activities.

Test Talk – January 30, 2017

Catch up with the latest resources to help support your child's test taking.

Kicking up Academics with Your Teachers – February (Time & Location TBA)

Connect with the school and community to build a better school and review school plans.

Creekside is Moving “Full S.T.E.A.M. Ahead” – March 30, 2017

Come join us for activities dealing with Science, Technology, Engineering, Art, and Math.

Getting Fit For Milestones – April (Time & Location TBA)

Come join us for academic activities all while getting fit.

School Forum – May 2, 2017

A forum for parents to participate in roundtable discussions with the principal and staff regarding the schoolwide plan, parental involvement policy, school-parent compacts and the parental involvement budget.



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.

The Resource Center is located at Eagle Ridge Elementary. If you are in need of assistance to utilize contact Ms. Shameka Walker; Family Engagement Specialist at 478-457-2960.

Parental Involvement

Creekside 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.

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

478-457-3301

Creekside Elementary is Branching Out!

Creekside 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 that all information related to school and parent programs, meetings, and other activities is published in both English and Spanish as needed, posted on the school Web site, and included in the monthly school newsletter for all parents.
- ✓ Provide trainings for staff during their planning periods on strategies to improve communication with parents and ideas to increase family engagement. Staff will also share best practices during regularly scheduled collaborative planning meetings. The Family Engagement Specialist will provide professional learning to staff at a minimum of twice a year.
- ✓ Partner with Head Start and Early Learning Center by conducting joint staff meetings for parents and sending school information about parent engagement activities to help prepare parents and their child for kindergarten and improve school transition.
- ✓ Share information 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, social media, and flyers.
- ✓ 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 and Communities in School Liaison to improve awareness of the activities and events listed in the school parental involvement policy.
- ✓ Collect feedback from parents at all events in order to respond to parents' requests for additional support for parental involvement activities.