

Lula Elementary School

Parent and Family Engagement Policy and Plan for Shared Student Success

2021-2022 School Year

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What is Title I?

Lula 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 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 policy.



School Plan for Shared Student Achievement

What is it?

This is a plan that describes how Lula Elementary will provide Opportunities to improve family engagement to support student learning. Lula 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 Lula 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?

Lula Elementary School invited all parents to attend our annual Parent and Family Input meeting last spring to review and revise this parent and family engagement policy, as well as the school wide 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 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.

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. Lula 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, the plan is sent out to all parents through remind and infinite campus. The plan is posted on the school website. Parents can also retrieve a copy of the plan in the front office upon request.

2021-2022 District Goals

By the end of FY22, 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.

By the end of FY23 (with FY22 being the baseline year), the percentage of students in each subgroup meeting "Proficient" levels of performance on local assessments (Elementary - MAP/Beacon, Middle/High - Common Benchmark Assessments) will increase by 2%.

Increase the percentage of referred students who access school-based mental health services by 2% each year (with FY21 being the baseline year).

2021-2022 School Goals

Increase by 3% the number of students performing at or above proficiency in grades 3-5 as measured by the EOG Reading Milestones. Every student will have at least 1 trusted adult that they can go to at any time during the school day.

Increase by 3% the number of students performing at/or above proficiency in Grades 3-5 as measured by the EOG Math Milestones. Effectively monitor secured entrances and exits for school safety.

School-Parent Compacts

As part of this plan, Lula 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.

Let's Get Together!

Lula 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 – August 5, 2021

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

Taste of Curriculum Night – September 13 (K-2) and September 16 (3-5) 6:00 PM for both events

Sample a little bite from the different areas of your child's academics. Here you will learn about math and literacy standards and assessments.

Annual Title I Meeting – October 28, 2021 at 10:00AM and 5:00 PM

We invite you to attend a meeting of learning and sharing about our Title I program, including our parent and family engagement policy, budget, the school wide improvement plan, the school-parent compacts, and parents' requirements. We will offer two different times, 10am and 5pm. Invitations are emailed, posted in the newsletter, and through remind and infinite campus.

Trunk or Treat – October 28, 2021 6:00 PM

Join the community for a bit of Halloween Fun while learning math facts!

Gratitude Breakfast – Week of November 15-19, 2021 by Grade Levels

Showing gratitude to a special person in their life by reading letters and serving food to the community.

Festival of Trees- December 9, 2021

Celebrate our students by displaying the work of our amazing students in the arts.

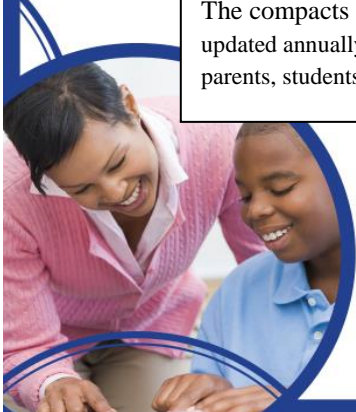
Enrichment Custer Showcase- November 18, 2021/March 31 6:00 PM

Students will show off what they have been working on during the semester of enrichment.

Volunteer Appreciation – May 12, 2022

A celebration of family engagement and the recognition of its impact on school and student success.

Parent and Family Input Meeting – May 5, 2022 at 10:00 AM and 6:00 PM-We will discuss the **Title I Budget and the Parent and Family Engagement Budget** as well as all things Title I that you need to know!



Parent Resource Center

Come visit the Parent Resource Center to check out books, study materials, and activities to use at home with your child. Our learning commons house a variety of parent resources.

Monday – Friday, 7:30 am – 2:30 pm

Parent and Family Engagement

Lula Elementary 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 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.

Lula Elementary is Branching Out!

Lula 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 posted on the school website, and included in the monthly school newsletter for all families.
- ✓ Canvas Professional development modules for staff during their planning periods (at least 4 times a year), on strategies to improve communication with parents and ideas to increase family engagement. Staff will also share best practices during regularly scheduled faculty meetings.
- ✓ 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.
- ✓ Communicate with all families and the community on a regular basis regarding school wide 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 our School PTO to improve awareness of the activities and events listed in the school parent and family engagement policy.
- ✓ Collect feedback from parents and family members at all events, through a suggestion form on the school website in order to respond to parents' requests for additional support for parent and family engagement activities.



Lula Elementary 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 transportation or child care in order to participate in our programs. Include contact name, phone, and email.



Parent and Family Engagement Standards

Lula Elementary and our PTO go by these standards 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

Lula Elementary invites all parents to share ideas and ways to involve other parents and family members to build partnerships with school, families, and the community. Parents and family members can 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 get more involved, please complete the interest form and turn it into the Main Office.
Thank you!

Lula Elementary Volunteer Form

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 or if there is any part of this policy 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) _____

