

HAWTHORNE ELEMENTARY SCHOOL
School Level Parent and Family Engagement Policy

Hawthorne Elementary

*Parent and Family Engagement Plan for
Shared Student Success
2017-2018 School Year*

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What is Title I?

Hawthorne Elementary School is identified as 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. Hawthorne is working with parents to develop a parental Involvement policy. We have had meetings this fall and we sent the information home to all parents. Our meeting dates were October 2nd and 3rd, and we sent all information home to all parents. On October 5th, we have used this information to develop a jointly parental involvement policy.

School Plan for Shared Student Achievement

What is it? This is a plan that describes how Hawthorne Elementary School will provide opportunities to improve parent engagement to support students learning. Hawthorne elementary school values the contributions and involvement of parents in order to establish an equal partnership for the common goal of improving student achievement. Our parents will be encouraged to attend roundtables, student council meetings, workshops, PTA meetings and parent's conferences. These are the ways that Hawthorne Elementary School will support parent engagement and how parents can help plan and participate in activities and events to promote student leaning at school and at home.

How is it developed? Hawthorne Elementary School welcomes parent input and comments at any time regarding plan. All parent were invited to 3 meetings that allowed them to give their input. The feedback will be used to revise the plan for next year. The plan is posted on our school website for parents to view and post feedback throughout the year. We asked parents for their suggestions on the plan and the use of funds for parent involvement. Parents can also give feedback during our annual Parent Meeting, Workshops, and the Curriculum Nights with school leaders to revise the plans for the upcoming school year.

Who is it for? All students participating in the Title I program, and their families, are encouraged and invited to fully participate in the opportunities described in this plan. Hawthorne Elementary School will provided several opportunities 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 will be on** Hawthorne's website and the school will send a paper copy home with all students. This will take place in the month of August. Parents can also retrieve a copy of the plan in the Parent Resource Center.

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2017-2018 District Goals

All Clayton County Public Schools will increase their College and Career Readiness Performance Index (CCRPI) score by 3% each year in the areas of English/Language Arts and Math

2017-2018 School Goals

Goals for Academic Achievement
(subject areas)

- English/Language Arts – 93%
- Math – 88.0%

Student Attendance: Improve to 98%

Student Discipline: Decrease by 25%

Parental Involvement: Improve by 10%

Go Hawks

Hawthorne Elementary School 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.

Annual Title I Meeting – August 24, 2017:

An evening of learning and sharing about our Title I program including our parental involvement policy, school wide plan, School-Parent Compact and 1% Parental Involvement Budget. Invitations will be posted on the schools website, marquee, flyers and school messenger.

Open House –October 5, 2017

Meet your child's teacher and our friendly and helpful school staff. Information for parents to help their child in Math.

Parent, Teacher, Student Conferences – Quarterly

Scheduled updates on your child's progress

Family Literacy Night...Fall into Reading – October 26, 2017

Family Literacy Night will give parents and their children a time, a place, and some helpful guidelines to enjoy a fun night of literacy, games, and enjoy the book fair.

National Parent Engagement Month _November 1-30, 2017

A celebration of parents to engagement and the reconciliation of parental involvement impact on school student success consisting of workshops, parents input and recognition

Parental Involvement Day November 17, 2017

An opportunity parents to observe what takes place in the classroom. Parents will be to observe their child's daily routine, and explore how they learn.

Parent Appreciation – April 3, 2018

A celebration of parent engagement and involvement recognition for parents that were actively engaged in school success.

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School-Parental Compacts

As part of this plan, Hawthorne Elementary School and our families will develop a school – parent compact, which develop 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 community cares event and the school community retreat planning. The school parent compacts are sent home with each child.

Parental Involvement

Hawthorne Elementary school 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-

- Parents play an integral role in assisting their child’s education at school.
- Parents are full partners in their child’s education and are included, as advisory committee’s decision-making and on advisory committees to assist in the education of their child’s.
- Carrying out other activities as describe in this plan.

Hawthorne 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 interpreting services at:
770-472-7669

tiffany.chaplin@clayton.k12.ga.us

Hawthorne Elementary School

Hawthorne Elementary 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 goals. We will:

- Ensure that all information related to school and parent program, meeting and other activities is publisher in both English and Spanish, and posted on the school website.
- Conduct staff development each quarter on parent involvement practices and effective strategies for staff to communicate and build partnership with parents.
- Partner with Elementary and Middle schools to share information about parent engagement activities that will help prepare parents and child for each level of education.
- Share information in English and Spanish on the school calendar/ web page for parents to understand the school’s academic standards and assessments, as well as, the ways parents to can monitor their child’s progress and work with educators.
- Communicate with all families and the community on a regular basis regarding school wide events and activities, such as phone messages, social media, and flyers.
- Work with our parents to develop relevant training and helpful presentations to educate our staff on the importance of parental involvement.
- Provide necessary materials for parent at conferences, meetings, and activities to help parents work with their child to improve their child’s achievement.
- Collaborate with community leaders and business groups to increase participation and awareness of the school parental involvement plan and activities.
- Offer parent classes to help further enhance their various education backgrounds.
- Listen and respond to parents’ request for additional support for parental involvement activities.

Student Achievement

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Parental Involvement Standards

Hawthorne Elementary School and our parents have adopted the parent, Teacher, and Student Organization in order to build Family-School Partnerships. In this complex world, it takes more, than a good school to educate children and it takes more than a good home. It takes the TWO Major Educational Instructional success. These standards are:

1. Inviting all Families
2. Effective Communication
3. Working with the Community
4. Supporting Student Success
5. Speaking Up for Every Child
6. Decision maker

Parent / Teacher

Hawthorne Elementary School invites all parents to join the Parents, Teacher Association, (PTA) to share ideas and ways to involve other parents to build partnerships with school, families and the community. The team will meet four times during the school year, but parents can also submit their ideas or suggestions during all activities and meetings well as through our parent surveys and website. If you would like to learn more about the PTA, please contact the PTA at 770-472-7669 or complete the form and leave it in the Main Office.

Local School Council

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

Name: _____

Child's name and grade: _____

Address: _____

Email address: _____

Share Your Thoughts

We want to hear from you. If you have any suggestions or if there is any part of the 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) _____
