

# Chattanooga Valley Elementary Parent and Family Engagement Plan 2020-21



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## What is Title 1?

Chattanooga Valley Elementary School is identified as a Title 1 school and part of the Every Student Succeeds Act (ESSA). The purpose of Title 1 is to ensure all students have a fair, equal, and significant opportunity to obtain high-quality education. All Title 1 Programs must focus on improving student achievement and include strategies to improve family engagement. All Title 1 plans must be developed jointly with parents/families.

## Let's Get Together

Chattanooga Valley Elementary School will host a variety of Family Engagement events during the 2020-21 school year. These events are developed from parent/family input and are designed to build a partnership between the school and families to improve student academic achievement. These events will be offered at various times and in different formats to provide flexibility for all our parents/families.

**Get Connected Volunteer Training** – Get acquainted with our school and complete your annual volunteer application. Volunteer Orientation will be scheduled we are allowed volunteers in CVE.

**Annual Title 1 Meeting** – Learn about our Title 1 program, including our Parent and Family Engagement Plan, the school-wide plan, and the school-parent compact. This meeting will be a virtual presentation on August 26, 2020. If you cannot attend this meeting, you can view the presentation and all the information on our CVE website under NEWS AND INFORMATION. Look for more information to come home in your student's folder and on Class Dojo.

**Academic Parent Teacher Team (APTT)** – Don't miss these exciting family engagement workshops! Attend all three meetings to learn how to help your student excel in foundational grade level skills. Work directly with your child's teacher and connect with other parents in your child's classroom. Meetings # 1 and # 2 will be held virtually. We will share if meeting # 3 will be virtual or in person, as we get closer to the date.

**APTT meetings # 1 and # 2 will be virtual this year and will be scheduled closer to each event:**

-September and October 2020 - APTT # 1 K-5th Grade, date and time to be announced.

-January 2021 - APTT # 2 K-5th Grade, date and time to be announced.

-May 13, 2021 - APTT # K-5th Grade location or virtual and time to be announced.

**All Pro Dads** - A dedicated time for dads and students. Until we can meet again here at school, we will share the APD video, "Let's talk about:" discussion card, and "Bring it Home" activity guide through Class Dojo each month. This will allow our families to still enjoy these special moments together at home or on the go.

**Moments with Mom** – A dedicated time for moms and students to learn and grow together. Last year we used the All Pro Dad material in our meetings and hope fully we will again sometime this year. Until we can meet again here at school, we will share the APD video, "Let's talk about:" discussion card, and "Bring it Home" activity guide through Class Dojo each month. This will allow our families to still enjoy these special moments together at home or on the go.

**Parent-Teacher Conference Night**- Meet one-on-one with your child's teacher. These meetings will be held November 16<sup>th</sup> through November 20<sup>th</sup>. Look for more information to come home in your student's folder or on Class Dojo.

**Family Engagement Day**- A special day we celebrate our CVE families! Family reading day will be a drive thru event this year. Please drive through from 3pm to 5pm on Thursday October 8<sup>th</sup> for a "Take and Make" activity and a family treat. We will also share reading tips and tricks, fun activities, and stories on Class Dojo.

**We are ONE Block Party** – This fun event usually has staff and leadership from every Walker County School which is a feeder school to RHS. There are lots of FREE activities for students, representatives from each school to answer transition questions, and informational hand outs to prepare students and families on what to expect from Kindergarten to Graduation. This event is held in the Spring of 2021 at Ridgeland High School, but may be virtual this year.

**End of Year Feedback Forum**-Help us evaluate our school wide plan, our APTT Program, the School-Parent Compacts, and our Parent and Family Engagement Plan and budget. This meeting will be May 13, 2021.

## 2020-21 District Goal

By May 2021, increase by 9% the number of students performing at or above proficiency in English Language Arts in grades 3-8 as measured by the Georgia Milestones End of Grade Assessment.

## 2020-21 CVE School Goals

**Kindergarten**-Identify all letter sounds with fluency and know 62 Kindergarten sight words with fluency.

**1<sup>st</sup> Grade**-Identify 293 first grade sight words with fluency.

**2<sup>nd</sup> Grade**-Students will read at or above 94 words per minute on grade level.

\*128 words per minute is Distinguished.

**3<sup>rd</sup> Grade**-Students will read at or above 114 words per minute on grade level.

\*136 words per minute is Distinguished.

**4<sup>th</sup> Grade**-In 4th Grade, students will understand and apply knowledge of the parts of speech in various learning situations. By the end of the year, students will identify and use parts of speech correctly.

**5<sup>th</sup> Grade**-Students will read at or above 137 words per minute on grade level.

\*157 words per minute is Distinguished.

## School – Parent Compacts

CVE staff, students, parents, and families will work together to develop a compact. This compact outlines how CVE staff, parents, families, and students share the responsibility for improved student achievement and the means by which the school and parents/families will build and develop a partnership to help children succeed.

# CVE Parent & Family Engagement Plan

## What is it?

The Parent and Family Engagement Plan describes how Chattanooga Valley Elementary School will provide opportunities to improve family engagement and positively impact student achievement. CVE values the contributions and involvement of parents/families and recognizes the connection between strong family support and student academic success. This plan identifies how parents/families can help plan and participate in activities and events that promote student learning at school and at home.

## How is it developed?

Each spring, all families are invited to attend a meeting to review and revise our parent and family engagement plan and our school-parent compacts. Additionally, all families are encouraged to complete a parent and family engagement survey, providing essential feedback on activities and workshops that were provided throughout the school year. This includes how CVE's 1% set aside budget should be spent in the coming school year. This survey remains on the school website all year, as parental and family input is welcome at any time. We use the feedback from this survey and other input to drive our decision making.

## Who is it for?

All members of the CVE community are encouraged and invited to participate in the opportunities described in this plan. CVE will provide full opportunity for parents with disabilities and Limited English Proficiency (LEP). Residential Facilities in the CVE attendance area are included in Family Engagement correspondences and activities.

## Where is it available?

The CVE Parent and Family Engagement Plan is distributed to all students at the beginning of each school year. Additionally, the plan can be found on our school website and in the Family Resource Room.

## Family Engagement? What does that mean?

Chattanooga Valley Elementary believes that family engagement means the participation of parents or guardians in ongoing two-way and meaningful communication with the student's teacher concerning academic achievement and other school activities. Parent-teacher conferences can be scheduled at any time during the year by parent or teacher request.

CVE is committed to helping our parents attend the activities listed in this plan. Please call if you need assistance with childcare or transportation in order to participate in these programs, 706-820-2511.

Stop by our Family Resource Room to check out books and materials to help you support your student at home. A computer is available for parents to explore PowerSchool and monitor student grades. Also, find out how you can get connected and volunteer at CVE. The Family Resource Room is open Tuesday-Thursday 7:20am to 3:20pm or Monday and Friday by appointment. For more information, please contact Zel Haag at 706-820-3420 or [zelhaag@walkerschools.org](mailto:zelhaag@walkerschools.org)

## Chattanooga Valley Eagles Soar!

Chattanooga Valley Elementary believes that continuous family engagement is essential to student success. In an effort to engage all families, we will:

- ◆ Share continuous communication with all families regarding student(s) progress.
- ◆ Communicate through emails, phone texts, fliers, invites, Class Dojo, Schoolcast, Facebook, and Twitter.
- ◆ Ensure all information related to school and parent/family programs, meetings, and other activities is communicated in a variety of ways, including student folders and the school website.
- ◆ Translate all communication as needed.
- ◆ Educate our faculty and staff on the importance of working together with families to improve student achievement.
- ◆ Make test data and results available to all parents/families.
- ◆ Provide materials and hand-outs for parents/families at conferences, meetings, and activities to help parents/families work with their child at home to improve student achievement.
- ◆ Collaborate with community organizations and businesses to promote student success.
- ◆ Collect feedback from parents/families at all events and encourage feedback throughout the school year to improve the school wide Title 1 plan.
- ◆ Inform families of residential facilities in our district that they are included in our parent/family involvement activities and correspondences.

## Parental Involvement Standards

CVE has adopted the National PTA Standards for Family-School Partnerships as a model to engage 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

### School Community Team

CVE has a school council made up of teachers, students, school administration, parents/families, and community supporters. We encourage you to consider being a part of this team. The team meets four times during the school year, but parents/families can also submit their ideas or suggestions at any of our school activities or meetings throughout the year. If you would like to learn more about the CVE school council, please contact our principal at 706-820-2511 or complete the interest form and leave in the front office.

### CVE School Council

- Yes, I am interested in joining the school council
- Please contact me so I can learn more about the school council

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Child's Name and Grade: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Email: \_\_\_\_\_

### Your Input Matters!

We want to hear from you. If you have any suggestions or if there is any part of this plan that you feel is not satisfactory with our school's goals for academic success, please provide your comments in the space below and return to our main office.

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Suggestions: \_\_\_\_\_

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