

**NLE Community Team**

North LaFayette Elementary School invites all parents and family members to share ideas and ways to involve other parents to build partnerships with school, families, and the community. Parents can submit their ideas or suggestions during all activities and meetings as well as through our parent surveys and website. If you would like to learn more about NLE Community Team, please contact Cherish Sandidge at (706)-638-1869, cherishsandidge@walkerschools.org or complete the interest form and return it to your child's homeroom teacher.



**NLE Community Team**

Yes, I am interested and wish to join the NLE Community Team.

Please send me notifications about future meetings and updates.

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

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

Homeroom Teacher: \_\_\_\_\_

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

Phone Number: \_\_\_\_\_ okay to text? \_\_\_\_\_

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

**Parent and Family Engagement Standards**

North LaFayette Elementary and our parents have adopted the National PTA standards for Family-School Partnerships as the school's model in engaging parents, 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

**Share Your Thoughts**

We want to hear from you. If you have suggestions or if there is any part of this 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) \_\_\_\_\_

Comments: \_\_\_\_\_

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### **Family Engagement**

At NLE family engagement means the participation of parents and family members in regular, meaningful, two-way communication involving student academic learning and other school activities, ensuring:

- Parents and family members play an integral role in assisting their child's learning.
- Parents and family members are encouraged to be actively involved in their child's education at school.
- Parents and family members 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.

### **Support for Families**

North LaFayette Elementary School is committed to helping our families attend family engagement activities listed in this plan. Please call or email if you need assistance with childcare or transportation in order to participate in our programs.

#### **Parent Resource Center**

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### **North LaFayette Elementary school Wants to Help Parents and Family Members**

North LaFayette Elementary school 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 published in both English and Spanish, and posted on the school website and included in the monthly newsletter for all parents.
- √ Provide monthly trainings for staff during their planning periods on strategies to improve communication with parents and ideas to increase family engagement with reading and math activities for our students outside the classroom. 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 and their children for successful school transitioning.
- √ Share information on the school website and 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 school wide events and activities, such as phone messages flyers, and newsletters.
- √ Works with our parents and family members to develop relevant trainings and helpful presentations to educate our staff on the importance of parent and family engagement.
- √ Provide necessary materials for parents and family members at meetings and activities to help parents work with their child to improve their child's achievement. Support parents who need childcare or transportation.
- √ Collaborate with community leaders and business groups to increase participation and awareness of the school family engagement plan and activities.
- √ Collect feedback from parents and family members in order to respond to parents' requests for additional support for parent and family engagement activities.

## **2021-2022 District Goals**

By May 2022, 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. (Due to the effects of Covid, this goal is extended another year.)

## **2021-2022 School Goals**

By May 2022, NLE will continue to increase the number of students performing at or above proficiency in English Language Arts and Math in grades 3-5 by 3% as measured by the Georgia Milestones End of Grade Assessment.

The focus for reading K-5 is:

- Vocabulary development
- Fluency
- Comprehension
- Writing

The focus for math K-5 is:

- Numbers & Operations
- Vocabulary
- Mental Math

## **School-Parent Compacts**

As part of this plan, North LaFayette 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 sent home with all students at the beginning of the school year. The compacts will be reviewed and updated annually based on feedback from parents, students, and teachers. The compacts are kept on file with the family engagement coordinator if parents would like a copy.

## **Let's Get Together**

North LaFayette 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/Orientation-August 2021**

Meet your child's teachers and helpful school staff.

### **Volunteer Orientation**

TBD

### **Parent/Teacher Conference-September 2021, February 2022, & May 2022**

Scheduled updates on your child's progress. Data will be shared and a reading fluency/math activity will be sent home

### **Annual Title 1 Meeting-October 2021**

We invite you to an evening of learning and sharing about our Title 1 program, including our parent and family engagement plan, the schoolwide plan, the school-parent compacts, and requirements of Title 1.

### **Fall Festival-October 1<sup>st</sup> or 8<sup>th</sup>**

Come join us for games, silent auction, jazzy jars, and much more!

### **Christmas Reading Night-December 2021**

This will be an exciting night for families to learn reading fluency strategies to use at home.

### **Spring Event-Spring 2022**

### **Transition Meeting-Spring 2022**

Parents of current fifth graders are invited to LMS to meet the administrators, tour the school and learn about the expectations, policies, and opportunities for rising middle school students.

- Scavenger Hunt
- Locker Orientation
- Student and Parent Sessions

We will also offer a Kindergarten Registration and Readiness Fair in the Spring

**North LaFayette Elementary School  
Parent and Family Engagement Plan for Shared  
Success  
2021-2022 School Year**



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**What is Title 1?**

**North LaFayette Elementary is identified as a Title 1 school as part of the Every Student Succeeds Act (ESSA). Title 1 is designed to support State and local school reform efforts tied to the challenging State academic standards in order to improve teaching and learning for students. Title 1 programs must be based on effective means of improving student achievement and include strategies to support family engagement. All Title 1 schools must jointly develop with parents and family members a written parent and family engagement plan.**

**School Plan for Shared Student Achievement**

**What is it?** This plan describes how North LaFayette Elementary will provide opportunities to improve family engagement to support student learning. North LaFayette Elementary values 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 North LaFayette Elementary will support family engagement and how parents can help and participate in activities and events to promote learning at school and at home.

**How is it revised?** North LaFayette Elementary welcomes parent input and comments at any time regarding the plan. All parent 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. For families without internet access, paper copies of the survey will be made available on the information table outside the front office.

**Who is it for?** All students participating in the Title 1, Part A program, and their families, are encouraged and invited to fully participate in the opportunities described in this plan. North LaFayette Elementary will provide full opportunity for the participation of parents with limited English, parents with disabilities, and of migratory children. Residential facilities at North LaFayette attendance area are included in the family engagement correspondence and activities.

**Where is it available?** At the beginning of the year, the plan is sent home with all students. The plan will also be available in the parent resource center, front office, and on the school website.