Hillcrest Elementary School

Parent Involvement Policy and Plan for Shared Student Success

2023-2024 School Year
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School Plan for Shared Student Achievement

What is it?

• This is a plan that describes how Hillcrest Elementary will provide opportunities to improve parent engagement to support student learning. Hillcrest 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 Hillcrest 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?

• Hillcrest Elementary will invite all parents to attend our Annual Parent Involvement Planning meeting to be held in November to review and revise the parental involvement policy, as well as the school wide plan, the school-parent compact and the parental involvement budget. Parent input and comments regarding this plan are welcome during the school year by visiting our school website or Parent Resource Center where the plan is available. All parent feedback and input will be used to revise the plan for the next school year. We distribute an annual survey online and by mail to ask parents for their suggestions on the plan and the use of funds for parental involvement. Parents can give feedback at our annual May meeting and also during parent meetings and activities during the school year at Share and Learn workshops and APTT meetings.

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. Hillcrest Elementary will provide full opportunity for the participation of parents with limited English, parents of students with disabilities, and parents of migratory children.

Where is it available?

• At the beginning of the year, the plan is included **in a** packet that is sent home with students.





2023-2024 District Goals



- ★ High achievement and success for all students.
- ★ Efficient and Effective use of Environments and Resources
- ★ Positive Stakeholder Engagement and Support
- ★ Professionally qualified personnel

2023-2024 School Goals

All teachers will implement standards based instructions in their classrooms for student mastery of the curriculum as measured by an increase of students demonstrating proficiency as follow:

- Pre-K students will demonstrate an increase in performance on Acadience by 5%
- Kindergarten students will demonstrate an increase in performance on Acadience from 68% to 73%. Kindergarten will demonstrate and increase on performance on Forefront 66% to 71%
- 1st grade students will increase performance on Acaidence from 45% to 51%. 1st grade students will increase performance on math inventory 64% to 69%.
- 2nd grade students will increase performance on Acaidence from 48% to 53%. 2nd grade students will increase performance on math inventory 59% to 64%.
- 3rd grade students will increase performance on Acaidence from 42%to 47%. 3rd grade students will increase performance on math inventory 54% to 59%.
- 4th grade students will increase in ELA content mastery of the Georgia Milestone from 31% to 36%. 4th grade students will demonstrate an increase in math content mastery on the Georgia Milestone 48.85% to 53.85%.

Areas of Focus

- Pre-K Developing Social Skills
- •Kindergarten Sight Words & Blending
- Ist Grade Sight Words, Math Facts & Reading Fluency
- •2nd Grade Math Facts (addition); Lexile
- •3rd Grade Math Facts; Lexile
- •4th Grade Math; Lexile



School-Parent Compacts



As part of this plan, Hillcrest Elementary and our families will create a school-parent compact, which is an agreement that parents, teachers, and students will develop and explain how parents and teachers will work together to make sure all students reach grade-level standards. The compact will be reviewed and revised annually based on feedback from parents, students and teachers during our annual May meeting and during other meetings and activities throughout the year. School Compacts are kept by the Family Engagement Coordinator if parents need a copy.

Let's Get Together!

Hillcrest Elementary plans to host the following events to continuing the growth of strong parental involvement to support a partnership among the school, parents, and the community to improve student academic achievement:

August 2023: Open House & Parent Portal Workshop

September 2023: Grandparents Day Recognition

September 2023: Welcome Back Night

September 2023 Annual Title I Meeting: We invite you to come learn about and to share in a discussion about our Title I program, including our parent involvement policy, the school wide plan, the school-parent compacts and the parents' requirements.

October 2023: Book Fair & Parent Teacher Conferences

November 2023: Veterans Program

November 2023:APTT #1

November 2023: B-I-N-G-O for Books Family Night

December 2023: Winter Wonderland Read-In

December 2023: Mindful Parenting Workshop

January 2023: Parent Portal Workshop

January 2023: APTT #2

February 2023: Literacy Night

February 2023: Black History Program

March 2023: Georgia Milestones Parent Workshop

March 2023: APTT #3

April 2023: Title I Parent Input Meeting

April 2023: STEM Family Night

May 2023 : Leadership Day

May 2023: 5th Grade Academy Orientation for 4th Graders,

Pre-K to Kindergarten Transition

Daily: Parent Resource Center Open Daily 7:30-3:30 (by appointment)

Parent Resource Center

• Our Parent Resource Center is **open** M-F 7:30am- 3:30 pm each day by appointment. Drop by to check out learning resources and activities to support learning at home. We can assist you with checking the Parent Portal and exploring other resources.





Hillcrest Elementary School believes that parental involvement means parents participate in regular two-way and meaningful communication involving student academic learning and other school activities, including providing:

- 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.
- **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.
- The carrying out of other activities as described in this plan.

Hillcrest Elementary School is committed to helping our parents attend the parental activities listed in the plan. Please call or email us if you need assistance with child care or transportation in order to participate in our programs.

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Family Engagement Coordinator

Hillcrest Elementary is Leading the Way!

Hillcrest Elementary will take the following measures to promote and support parents as an important foundation of the school to strengthen the school and reach our school goals. We will:

- Communicate with all families and the community throughout the year to announce school wide events and activities using text messaging (Remind), the school Website, flyers and Facebook.
- Provide all information related to school and parent programs, meetings, and other activities published in both English and Spanish, posted on the school Website, phone calls, text messaging (Remind) and written notes.
- Share information in English and Spanish on the school Web site and 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 school wide events and activities, through workshops, text messaging, (Remind), flyers, and the school Website.
- Partner with Head Start, other early reading programs and Pre-K programs 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.

- Partner with Dublin's 5th Grade Academy to develop a transition plan and activities for students transitioning from fourth grade to fifth grade.
- Conduct professional learning for the staff on parent involvement practices and effective strategies for staff to communicate and build partnerships with parents.
- Schedule activities, workshops, and events at different times of the day, throughout the year.
- Offer workshops that train parents to work with their child academically and provide technology workshops for parents to enhance educational levels.
- Use our School-Parent Advisory Team to improve awareness of the activities and events listed in the school parental involvement policy.
- 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.
- Collect feedback from parents at all events, post a suggestion form on the school website and place suggestion/input forms around the school.

Parent Involvement Standards



National Standards for FAMILY-SCHOOL PARTNERSHIPS

Hillcrest Elementary School and our parents have adopted the National PTA Standard for Family School Partnerships as the school's model in engaging parents, students, and the community. The standards are:

- I. Welcoming All Families
- 2. Communicating Effectively
- 3. Supporting Student Success
- 4. Speaking Up for Every Child
- 5. Sharing Power
- 6. Collaborating with Community



School and Parent Advisory Team

All parents are invited to join the Parent & Community Advisory Team to build partnerships with the school, other parents, and the community. The team meets a couple times a year to suggest ideas for school activities and meetings. All stakeholders can also make suggestions through our website and on parent surveys.

Please send me notifications about future meetings and updates

Name:	
Child's Name:	Grade:
Address:	
Phone Number:	
Email Address:	

Share Your Thoughts!

Please share your	thoughts and ideas. If you have any suggestions for
this plan or feel	l it is not satisfactory for the students' and the
school's goals for	r academic achievement, please provide us with
your comments	in the space provided and leave this form in the
Name:	School Office.Phone Number:
	(Optional)

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