

**Myrtle Grove Middle School  
Family Engagement Policy 2023-2024**

School mission and vision statements:

We are a community of students, families and staff whose vision is creating a respectful, encouraging and safe place to learn and grow. We value honesty in our interactions which fosters healthy relationships and a sense of trust among our community members. Through both personal and team development we strive to keep integrity and compassion at the heart of our vision. We believe in us.

We are a community committed to growing and learning together.

**List of assurances**

**Myrtle Grove Middle School will:**

- Engage parents in developing a family engagement policy and make parents aware of their right to be involved in their children's education.
- Host annual Title 1 meeting.
- Dedicate at least 1 percent of Title 1 funds for family engagement activities, which parents involved in deciding the best use of funds.
- Develop a compact that outlines shared responsibilities for student achievement for parents, students and school staff. This is posted on our school website and located in the front office.
- Build parent capacity by explaining state academic standards, showing how parents can support student learning at home.
- Provide take-home educational materials.
- Coordinate with other federal, state, and local programs, including early childhood and English learner programs.
- Provide materials in a language parents can understand, to the extent practicable.
- Provide meaningful, two-way communication with families. School messages are delivered through a family engagement smartphone app, auto phone calls, and emails.
- Offer numerous opportunities for families to interact and work with their children and teachers. The School year begins with a cookout. The last quarter of the school year ends with a skate or movie night to encourage students to end the year on a strong note with their best effort. Parents are encouraged to volunteer at school.
- Provide monthly professional development for teachers in areas such as equity in schools, relationship building and innovative educational practices.

**Principal signature:**

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