

UDLS-PARENT AND FAMILY ENGAGEMENT PLAN

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What is Title I?

Unidos Dual Language School is identified as a Title I school as part of Every Student Succeeds Act (ESSA) of 2015. Title I is designed to support State and local school reform efforts tied to challenging state academic standards that reinforce and enhance efforts to improve teaching and learning for students. Title I programs must be based on effective means of improving student achievement and include strategies to support parental involvement. All Title I schools must jointly develop with all parents a written parental and family engagement plan.

What is it?

This is a plan that describes how *Unidos* Dual Language School will provide opportunities for improving parent engagement to support student learning. *Unidos* Dual Language School values parental contributions and involvement to establish an equal partnership for the common goal of improving student achievement. This plan describes the different ways that Unidos Dual Language School will support parent and family 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?

Unidos Dual Language School invited all parents to attend meetings to review and revise this parental involvement policy, as well as the school-wide plan, our school-parent compact and the parental involvement budget. Additionally, parent input and comments regarding this plan are welcome during the school year through an online form. The plan is posted on our school web site for parents to view and submit feedback throughout the year. All parent feedback received during the year will be used to revise the plan for the next school year. We also distribute an annual survey online (and paper-pencil) asking parents for their suggestions on the school-wide plan and the use of funds for parental involvement. Parents can also give feedback during several parent meetings and activities held during the school year.

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. *Unidos* Dual Language School will provide all parents plenty of opportunities to participate, including parents of English Language Learners, students with disabilities, migrant students, etc.

Where is it available?

We will send the plan to all parents. The plan will also be posted on the school web site. Parents can also retrieve a copy of the plan in the Parent and Family Resource Center and the Virtual Parent and Family Resource Center at <https://padlet.com/adavazquez/8ecjr9uim50ba2oj>



District Goals

By 2024, Clayton County Public Schools will increase the percentage of students scoring at the Proficient and/or Distinguished levels on the Georgia Milestones in at least 8 percentage points in each content area.

School Goals

KK-5th grade: By May 2024 Unidos DLS will increase student attendance by at least 3%.

KK - 2nd grade: By May 2024 Unidos DLS will increase the percentage of students performing on grade level or above, on MAP Growth and Amira Assessments, by at least 8 percentage points.

3rd -5th grade: By May 2024 Unidos DLS will increase the percentage of students scoring at the Proficient or Distinguish levels on the Georgia Milestones by at least eight percentage points in Reading, Math and Science.

School-Parent Compact

As part of this plan, Unidos Dual Language School and our families will develop a school-parent compact. The school-parent compact is an agreement that parents, teachers, and students will develop in order to explain how parents and teachers will work 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 parent meetings. The school-parent compacts are kept in the Parent Resource Center in case parents need a copy, there are also available at the school website, and at the Virtual Parent Resource Center
<https://padlet.com/adavazquez/8ecjr9uim50ba2oj>

Let's Get Together!

At Unidos Dual Language School these are some of the events we have scheduled to build the capacity for strong parental involvement to support a partnership among the school, parents, and the community in order to improve student academic achievement. Parent events will be virtual until further notice. Look for updates and more information



- Open House- July 18, 2023- 1:00 to 3:00 pm
- Annual Title I-Meeting-September 4, 2023- 4:00-5:00 pm
- Curriculum Night- September 4, 2023 -5:00-7:00 pm
- Parent Academic Workshops/Parenting Workshops/English & Spanish classes. Technology workshops. August 2023-March 2024-
- Monthly Principal's Coffee from 9:00 to 10:00 am: September 28, October 26 & November 30, 2023/January 25, February 22, March 28 & April 25, 2024.
 - PTA Meeting- October 2- 4:00-5:00 pm
 - Fall Festival & Hispanic Heritage Celebration- October 6,2023: @Starr Park 4:00-7:00 pm
 - Veterans' Day – November 10
- *Readnic* (Picnic Reading with your child) November 28-30, 2023 & April 2024
 - Winter Festival -December, 2023
 - Black History Month Celebration-February 2024
 - Read Across America-March, 2024
- Parent Academy/Volunteer Celebration Celebration-April, 2024
 - End of the Year Awards- May, 2024

PARENT & FAMILY RESOURCE CENTER

Come visit the Parent Resource Center, located in Modular # 44 to check out books, study materials, and activities to use at home with your child, obtain information about school and community services & activities. Computers are available for parents to explore the Parent Portal and educational resources. Open: Monday to Friday 7:30 am to 2:30 pm Visit the virtual Parent Resource Center <https://padlet.com/adavazquez/8ecjr9uim50ba2oj>

Parental and Family Engagement

Unidos Dual Language 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 learning.
- ◆ 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.

Unidos Dual Language School is committed to helping our parents attend the parental activities listed in this plan. Please call or email us if you need assistance in order to participate in our programs.

Contact Ada C. Vazquez at the Parent Resources Center, Modular 44, or at 404-594-2127, ada.vazquez@clayton.k12.ga.us.

Unidos Dual Language School is Branching Out!



Unidos Dual Language 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 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, posted on the school Web site, and included in the weekly school 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. Staff will also share best practices during regularly scheduled faculty meetings.
- * Partner with parents and members of the Community to hold a "Career Day" to help students start planning for College.
- * Offer face to face and virtual Parent Workshops in English and Spanish to help parents assist their children's learning at home.
- * Share information in English and Spanish on the school website, class dojo, social media and 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 phone calls, phone messages, class dojo, Reminder 101, social media, face to face and virtual parent conferences and meetings.
- * Work with our parents to develop relevant trainings and helpful presentations, face to face and virtually, to educate our staff on the importance of parental and family engagement
- * Provide necessary materials handouts, educational websites information and technological assistance for parents at conferences, meetings, and activities to help parents work with their child to improve their academic achievement.
- * Use our Partners in Education and School-Community Team to improve awareness of the activities and events listed in the school parent and family engagement plan.
- * Offer literacy and computer classes in English and Spanish for parents to help further enhance their various educational levels. (vriual/face to face)
- * Collect feedback from parents at all events, via e-mail, surveys, input cards, class dojo etc.

PARENT & FAMILY ENGAGEMENT STANDARDS

Unidos D.L.S. parent & family engagement standards are based on Dr. Joyce Epstein's six types of parental involvement and the PTA standards for family engagement

Dr. Epstein Six Types of Involvement

- Parenting
- Communicating
- Volunteering
- Learning at Home
- Decision Making
- Collaborating with the Community

PTA standards:

- Welcoming all families
- Communicating effectively
- Supporting student success
- Speaking up for every child
- Sharing power
- Collaborating with the community

School Community Team

Unidos Dual Language School invites all parents to join the School Community Team 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 at any school activities and meetings, as well as through our parent surveys and website. If you would like to learn more about the School Community Team, please contact Mrs. Ada C. Vazquez, at 404-594-2127/ ada.vazquez@clayton.k12.ga.us or complete the interest form and leave it in the Parent Resources Center.





School Community Team

Yes, I am interested and wish to join the School Community Team.
Please contact me so I can learn more about joining the School Community Team
Please send me notifications about future meetings and updates.

Name: _____

Child's Name and Grade: _____

Address: _____

Phone Number: _____

Email address: _____

Share Your Thoughts

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 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: _____