



SWAINSBORO HIGH SCHOOL

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Our mission is to foster a safe and respectful environment that challenges the creative learning potential of a diverse academic body and the community it serves.

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Swainsboro High School Parent-Community Engagement Initiative

The Swainsboro High School community recognizes the importance of parent involvement to garner and reach individual student-achievement & success. Fully understanding the importance & criticalness of parental involvement, our teachers and support staff prioritize our efforts to provide quality education to our children at Swainsboro High School. With intense effort & focus in implementing efficient strategies to improve student achievement, Swainsboro High School has established smart goal(s) to increase parent and community involvement within our school. As a primary community engagement component of increased effort for parental involvement, correspondence and activities are continued with Herrington Homestead Residential Facilities and Community in Schools.

Our parent involvement meetings are designed to provide parents with resources and valuable information essential to creating more effective and active involved child. Consistent and continued promise to provide our parents and community with various forms of communications such as: student handbooks, shared info. via social media, teacher accountability in contact logs, one to one counselor conferences, Kinolved messages, emails, etc.

Open house meetings such as Dual Enrollment night and CTAE night will be conducted per semester to include parents in the planning process for the school program and enrichment of the SHS School-Parent Compact. As required by law, inform parents of the Emanuel County Schools Title I Plan is essential. Informing parents of the requirements and right(s) to be involved in the Title I program will benefit all family homes. Parent conference days will be conducted throughout the school term to inform parents of their student's progress and the plan for interventions when needed. Swainsboro High School will assist parents in understanding of the state's academic content standards and graduation requirements per GADOE. Information on state and local assessments used to measure student progress and the proficiency levels students are expected to meet and/or exceed will be shared with parents. Title I funds will be provided for transportation, childcare, and home visits as needed.

The school community will include a Parent Resource Center, strategically located at Swainsboro High School, to facilitate parent and community involvement in the school program. The Parent Resource Center will also provide parents with information, materials, resources, and training in order to help their children with their academic success. As two of our four initiatives in our School Improvement Plan, Literacy and Technology-enhanced item training will be provided, as appropriate, to foster parental involvement and increased student achievement. Through regular meetings, the center will provide the opportunity to volunteer and participate in the decision-making process by offering suggestions and receiving timely feedback to their suggestions.

Trainings will be conducted as needed to train parents in ways they can contribute to their child's progress. Efforts will be made to provide supportive and effective learning environments by collaborating with the ESOL Department and other pertinent departments to facilitate the

translation of pertinent information for parents whose primary language is not English. Parents and students with disabilities will also be accommodated with the collaboration of the Special Education Department at the school and county levels. An annual survey will be sent to parents to gather their input. The data will be collected and submitted including all unsatisfactory comments regarding the school's plan to the LEA.

Swainsboro High School will implement and coordinate parental programs, creating & uniting ties within each and every child's village. As valuable asset in creating & building the ties within each child's village, parents will be offered an opportunity to receive professional development with teachers and school support staff. In addition, formal compacts between parents, school community, and students will be employed to specify everyone's role in reaching individual students' goals. Parent-teacher conferences will be held at least annually to relate individual student's achievement to compact. Parents will be informed of their student's academic progress every 4.5 weeks, and a formal report card will be sent home every nine weeks. However, Emanuel County Schools provides a technology resource called Parent Portal, allowing parents monitor student assessment, discipline, and attendance.

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