



**RICHLAND ONE**  
FEDERAL AND STATE PROGRAMS

## Parent and Family Engagement Program

The Parent and Family Engagement Program is focused on working with schools and the community to provide families with resources and skills to help students succeed in school. Our goal is to increase student achievement by engaging and empowering parents to become partners in their children's education. Research shows students are more likely to do better in school, stay in school longer, and enjoy school more when schools, families, and communities work together.

### FAMILY SUPPORT

Each school is assigned a Parent and Family Engagement Specialist (PFES) to serve as the lead facilitator of parent and family engagement activities. Their goal is to provide learning opportunities for the entire school, small groups and individually.

Parent and Family Engagement Specialists are committed to ensure all students receive a high-quality education. We know that families are unique, and it is our goal to tailor our support to meet the individual needs of families. Some of the ways we support are:

- Parent /Family Learning Opportunities
- Family Events
- Home Visits
- Frequent Check-ins
- Community Resource Referrals
- Parent Leadership Opportunities
- Tools for Learning at Home and more!



### CLUSTER MODEL

The PFES work in groups based on the high school feeder pattern to ensure they are identifying specific needs in the area. They frequently collaborate and share resources to ensure they are maximizing their efforts.

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# All About Your Parent and Family Engagement Specialist



Greetings! My name is Mahogany Hunter-Hall, and I am delighted to serve as your Parent and Family Engagement Specialist (PFES) this school year!

I am a native of Columbia, SC and a proud alumna of Richland School District One. I earned my bachelor's degree in Community and Organizational Leadership from Columbia College. I also earned my degree in Early Care and Education from Midlands Technical College. I have worked in various capacities in education for over 19 years. I am dedicated to serving and supporting students and families.

I am a wife, mom, and new grandmother! I wear these titles with pride.

I look forward to working with each of you in being the change we wish to see in our school community! Let's make it a great year on purpose!

