

CHEROKEE RIDGE ELEMENTARY SCHOOL
PARENT AND FAMILY ENGAGEMENT
PLAN FOR SHARED STUDENT SUCCESS



CRES

2024-2025

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SCHOOL PLAN FOR SHARED STUDENT ACHIEVEMENT

What is it? This is a plan that describes how Cherokee Ridge Elementary School will provide opportunities to improve family engagement to support student learning. Cherokee Ridge Elementary School values the contributions and involvement of parents and family members to establish an equal partnership for the common goal of improving student achievement. This plan describes different ways that Cherokee Ridge Elementary School will support 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? Cherokee Ridge Elementary School invited all parents to attend our annual School Forum in the spring to review and revise this parent and family engagement plan as well as the school-parent compact, and the family engagement budget. Additionally, parent input and comments regarding this plan are welcome during the school year, the plan is posted on our school website 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 in written form as requested, to ask parents for their suggestions on the plan and the use of funds for family engagement. Parents and family members can also give feedback during several parent meetings and activities during the school year.

Where is it available? At the beginning of the year, the plan is sent home with all students. The plan will also be available in the parent resource center, front office, and on the school website <http://www.cre.walkerschools.org>.

Who is it for? All students participating in the Title1, Part A program, and their families, are encouraged and invited to fully participate in the opportunities described in this plan. Residential facilities in our district are included in our parent involvement activities and correspondences. Cherokee Ridge Elementary School will provide full opportunity for the participation of parents with limited English, parents with disabilities, and of migratory children.

WHAT IS TITLE I?

Cherokee Ridge Elementary is a Title I school as part of the Every Student Succeeds Act (ESSA). Title I is designed to support State and local school reform efforts tied to the challenging State academic standards 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 family engagement. All Title I schools must jointly develop with parents and family members, a written parent and family engagement policy.

DISTRICT GOALS 2024-2025

At the end of the 2025 school year, we will see a 3% increase in the percent of students who are proficient and above on Georgia Milestone ELA assessments from the 2024 results.(End of Grade in 3rd - 8th and End of Course for English Literature and Composition combined)

At the end of the 2025 school year, we will see a 3% increase in the percent of students who are proficient and above on Georgia Milestone Math assessments from the 2024 results.(End of Grade of 3rd - 8th Grade and End of Course in Algebra I combined)

SCHOOL GOALS 2024-2025

- At the end of the 2025 school year, CRE will see an increase on the NWEA MAP assessment Reading Median Achievement Percentile from 43 to 46.
- At the end of the 2025 school year, CRE will see an increase on the NWEA MAP assessment Math Median Achievement Percentile from 43 to 46.

SCHOOL-PARENT COMPACTS

As part of this plan, Cherokee Ridge Elementary School and our families will develop a school- parent compact. This is an agreement that parents, teachers, and students will develop together that explains how each party will work together to ensure all our students reach grade- level standards. The compacts will be sent home with all students at the beginning of the school year. The compacts will be reviewed and updated annually based on feedback from parents, students, and teachers. The compacts are kept on file with the parent involvement coordinator if parents would like a copy

OPPORTUNITIES FOR FAMILY ENGAGEMENT AT CRE

Open House- August 2024

Meet your child's teachers and our friendly and helpful school staff. Meetings may be scheduled per grade level as to observe social distancing. We will also have a station set up to get more information on volunteer opportunities.

Annual Title I Meeting- September 2024

We invite you to learn about the Title I program here at CRES. If we are unable to host this meeting in person we will host as a virtual meeting online.

Family Engagement Event/Data Night-October 2024

These events provide families with information about their child's progress, as well as include new and fun ideas for learning.

All Pro Dad- October, January, March

All Pro Dad provides an opportunity for dads to spend time with their children, which in turn will strengthen their relationship, as well as benefit the child's school and the entire community.

Mom Talk- November, February, April

Mom Talk is an opportunity for moms and kids to spend a little quality time together, and learn a few life lessons in a fun way.

Parent Conferences/Data- March 2025

Individual families of students in K-2 will be invited to an individual meeting with their teacher to see their child's performance data and pick up an at home tool to use to support their child's growth in reading and math.

Family Engagement/Data Event- March 2025

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Georgia Milestones- Spring 2025

Cherokee Ridge will host our annual GA Milestones Meeting for families of students in grades 3-5. At this time, teachers will share individual student data and what to expect for the state testing.

Transition Meetings- April 2025

Information for parents and students transitioning from Pre-K to Kindergarten and 5th Grade students to Middle School.

Annual Spring Evaluation Meeting- May 2025

All Parents are invited to attend our Annual Spring Evaluation Meeting to review and revise the family engagement plan, our school-parent compact and the family engagement budget.

PARENT AND FAMILY ENGAGEMENT

School believes family engagement means the participation of parents and family members in regular, meaningful, two-way 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.

SUPPORT FOR PARENTS

Cherokee Elementary School is committed to helping our parents and families attend the family activities listed in this plan. Please call or email us if you need assistance with childcare or transportation in order to participate in our programs.

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CHEROKEE ELEMENTARY SCHOOL WANTS TO HELP PARENTS

Cherokee Elementary School will take the following measures to promote and support parents and family members 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 website, the school Facebook page, and sent home in written form for all parents.
- √ Provide 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.
- √ Share information in English and Spanish on the school website, Facebook, Twitter, and 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, such as phone messages, flyers, Facebook, Twitter, and newsletters.
- √ Work with our parents to develop relevant trainings and helpful presentations to educate our staff on the importance of parental involvement.
- √ Provide necessary materials for parents at meetings and activities to help parents work with their child to improve their child's achievement.
- √ Collaborate with community leaders and business groups to improve awareness of the activities and events listed in the school parent and family engagement plan.
- √ Collect feedback from parents and family members at all events, in order to respond to parents' requests for additional support for parent and family engagement activities.
- √ Cherokee Ridge will provide assistance to parents with child care or transportation in order to participate in our programs.

SCHOOL COUNCIL

Cherokee Ridge Elementary School invites all parents to join our School Council to share ideas and ways to involve other parents and family members to build partnerships with school, families, and the community. The School Council will meet once every quarter in the Media Center. In addition to the School Council meetings, parents can also submit their ideas or suggestions during all activities and meetings as well as through our parent surveys located on our website. If you would like to learn more about our School Council, please contact:
Mrs. Harris- (706) 375-9831

PARENT AND FAMILY ENGAGEMENT STANDARDS

Cherokee Ridge Elementary and our parents have adopted the National PTA Standards for Family-School Partnerships as the school's model in engaging parents, students and the community. These standards are:

1. Welcoming All Families
2. Communicating Effectively
3. Supporting Student Success
4. Speaking up for every child
5. Sharing Power
6. Collaborating with the Community

CHEROKEE RIDGE ELEMENTARY SCHOOL COUNCIL MEMBERS

Rachel Brooks– Staff Representative
Tiffany Chandler – Staff Representative
Hannah Carr – Parent Representative
Chynna Starr – Parent Representative
Lacey Lamb– Parent Representative
Cassandra Brown – Parent Representative
Michael Savadge – Community Representative
David Brown – Community Representative

SHARE YOUR THOUGHTS

We want to hear from you. If you have any suggestions or if there is any part of this policy 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:
