

PHARR ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

THE PLAN... THE PROMISE... 2025-2026



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WHAT IS A SCHOOL-FAMILY PROMISE?

It is a written agreement that outlines how the school, the students, and the family will work together to ensure your child's academic success. An effective School-Family Promise contains the following elements:

- Clear learning goals that are linked to the school's improvement plan
- Specific skills students will learn during the year
- Strategies that staff, families, and students will use to improve student learning
- Ways to extend learning at home
- Methods teachers and family members will use to communicate about student progress
- Opportunities for family members to observe and participate in the classroom
- Jointly developed by families, school staff, students, community business partners, and other stakeholders during our Planning Meeting
- Reviewed and revised throughout the year via our school website, Parent-Teacher conferences, newsletters, PTA meetings, and Building Parent Capacity Events

ACTIVITIES TO BUILD OUR PARTNERSHIP

- Back to School Ice Cream Social
- Open House
- Curriculum Night
- Title I Annual Meeting
- Parent Workshops
- Literacy Night
- Math Night
- STEM Night
- Wax Museum
- Multicultural Night
- Grade Level Events/Programs
- Parent-Teacher Conferences

LET'S TALK

Methods for regular, two-way teacher-family communication:

- Email, Text, Website, and Phone Call
- Virtual Meetings
- Parent/Family Nights and School Events
- Weekly Folders
- Parent Portal
- Parent-Teacher Conferences

If you need interpretation and/or translation services, please contact: Ms. Miriam Nunez @ 770-985-0244

COMMUNICATION

Written communication is available to all parents in both English and Spanish and additional languages are available upon request. In addition, interpreters are available in multiple languages for parent-teacher conference, Family Engagement Center meetings, and individual parent meetings.

Pharr Elementary School's policy for scheduling meetings at a parent's request is to respond within 24-48 hours. Parents should contact the Title I Assistant Principal at 770-985-0244 for questions related to our Title I program.

DID YOU KNOW?

Title I is a federal program designed to support school reform efforts to improve teaching and learning for all students. Title I programs are based on effective means of improving student achievement and include strategies to support family engagement. The Title I Office reserves at least one percent of the district's allocation to fund family and community engagement programs. The use of these funds is based on suggestions gathered at our spring Planning Meetings from families and community members. Funds are distributed equally to all our Title I schools. Childcare and/or transportation may be provided for meetings and school events.

ENGAGING AND EMPOWERING FAMILIES WITH...

WHERE IS THE PLAN AVAILABLE?

The Family and Community Engagement Plan and all other Title I information are available on our school's website at <https://pharres.gcpsk12.org> under the Title I Section. Families can also find paper copies of this Family and Community Engagement Plan in our Family Engagement Center.

WHAT IS A FAMILY AND COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT PLAN?

It is a plan that describes how our school will provide opportunities to improve family engagement that will support student learning at school and at home. All students and their families are invited and encouraged to fully participate in the opportunities described in this plan. The school will provide information and as many opportunities as possible for the participation of all family members.

Title I Program Information: Program information is available during the Title I Planning Meeting in the spring and Annual Parent Meetings in the fall, on the school website, and in the Parent Center.

Curriculum Information: Knowing what your child is learning at school is important. We will keep you informed throughout the year about what your child is learning during parent meetings, conferences, eCLASS, and on our school website.

Student Progress Monitoring: The Parent Portal is an online resource that allows families to view grades, attendance, schedules, assessment, and your child's results, course history, and much more. Monitoring your child's progress in school is an important way to be engaged.

Parent Resources: We have many resources available for checkout to use at home with your child. We also host several parent workshops to empower you as you work with your child at home.

Staff Training: We will train our staff to effectively communicate with you. Your input on how we train our staff is valuable.

Communication: We will communicate, to the extent feasible, all information with you in a language and format you understand. Whenever possible, we will provide interpreters during parent workshops, and academic events. Translation is available for most documents.

Transition Support: Entering a new school can be scary for both students and families. We will host events to make sure both you and your child are aware of what is expected and how you can prepare as your child transitions to a new school level, college, and career.

VISIT OUR FAMILY ENGAGEMENT CENTER

Please contact *Miriam Nunez*, our Parent Outreach Liaison for additional information about our Family Engagement Center and resources available for check-out. *Ms. Nunez* can be reached by dialing, 770-985-0244 and through email at Miriam.Nunez@gcpsk12.org.

OUR DISTRICT GOALS

The Blueprint for the Future is the strategic plan for Gwinnett County Public Schools. This plan is organized into four strategic priorities, each with three specific goals. To ensure success, these goals have clear objectives and Key Performance Indicators (KPIs) to track and measure progress. Each year schools review their data to identify areas for growth and set long-term goals to improve them. This information is used to create a Local School Plan for Improvement (LSPI) aligned to the district's priorities. School staff, families, and community members participate in providing input for the LSPI. Families can easily access the latest strategic plan on the Gwinnett County Public Schools' website.

OUR SCHOOL GOALS

We will provide all students with high quality curriculum and instruction in a supportive and effective learning environment to meet high academic standards.

Pharr ES will implement a comprehensive multi-tiered system of support for all students to address academic and non-academic student needs and increase pathways to success.

Pharr ES will increase cultural competence and proficiency of our school community and individual staff members to improve service delivery, strengthen programs, and enhance engagement across the full spectrum of our diverse community.

Skills to Support School Goals:

- Literacy – Read fluently to comprehend texts
- Math – Fluency and problem solving

MISSION

Pharr Elementary School is a place where staff, students, and parents work together in a collaborative community with a central focus on helping every child be successful.

WORKING TOGETHER TO ENSURE SUCCESS

Pharr Elementary School will...

- Provide strategies that families and

students can use at home to improve student achievement in reading and math

- Provide resources and website links for families and students to practice skills
- Initiate opportunities for two-way communication with families to strengthen student achievement
- Continue to offer Computer Science as a special to build students computer literacy and cyber security skills and knowledge.

Principal's Signature

Date

As Students, we will...



- Read every night to ourselves or with a buddy to practice reading with accuracy, understanding and fluency.
- Learn math facts to support math problem-solving. Use resources from my teacher and websites to help me.
- Bring home newsletters and Friday folders.

As Families, we will...



- Attend workshops to assist my child with reading and math.
- Use tip sheets, websites, and resources provided to assist my child at home.
- Communicate any questions or concerns as needed.

