

Putnam County Elementary School

Title I Parent and Family Engagement Plan

2025-2026

The faculty and staff of Putnam County Elementary School are committed to a quality educational program that values parent and family engagement. We recognize that parents play a very important role in their children's education and take every opportunity to foster the relationship between school, parent, and child. We have developed a parent and family engagement plan that outlines how to actively involve all parents in their child's educational journey. Parents will be notified of the plan in an understandable and uniform format, and to the extent practicable, provided in a language the parents can understand. Parents with limited English proficiency, parents of migratory children, and parents of students with disabilities will be encouraged to participate in the plan's activities. The plan will be updated annually and parents will have the opportunity to participate in the revision. If the School Improvement or Parent and Family Engagement Plans are not satisfactory to the parents, the school will submit any parent comments to the district office. Putnam County Elementary School has established clear and concise objectives and strategies to increase parent and family engagement within our school and community.

Putnam County Elementary School invites parents to visit the school and to take an active role within the school and provide suggestions for future meetings and workshops. Our goal is to provide quality, yet challenging, education for every child in a safe and nurturing environment. Parents are welcome to come and join us at any time to help ensure that this is the most successful year ever for their child. The faculty and staff value your input, suggestions, and assistance as a parent. We will continue to inform our parents and community with various forms of communication such as translations/interpretations of parent/student handbook, newsletters, flyers, phone calls, emails, and text messages.

The faculty and staff at Putnam County Elementary School recognize:

- The value in shared responsibility of student achievement.
- Our student's education is a responsibility shared by the school and family during the entire time the child spends in school.
- In order to support the goal of the school to educate all students effectively, the school and parents must work as knowledgeable partners.
- Although parents are diverse in culture, language, and needs, they are an integral component of a school's ability to provide for the educational success of their children.
- Engaging parents is essential to improving student achievement.
- That the school should foster and support active parent and family engagement.
- That parents will be notified of this policy in an understandable and uniform format and, to the extent practicable, provided in a language that parents can understand.
- That this plan will be distributed to parents and the community in multiple ways, including the school's website and the Annual Title I Meeting, and updated periodically to meet the changing needs of the parents and the school.
- That if this plan is not satisfactory to the parents, the school will submit any parent comments with the policy to the Title I Coordinator.
- That meetings and workshops will be offered at various times of the day, so that as many parents as possible can attend. Meetings may also be held in different formats such as group meetings, home visits, and individual meetings.
- Parents need to be surveyed regularly to formulate suggestions for future meetings and workshops.

The Parent Involvement Plans of the Putnam County Charter School System and Putnam County Elementary School are evaluated annually as to the effectiveness in increasing parent participation and identifying barriers to parent participation such as transportation and childcare. The findings of the annual evaluation are used to design strategies for school improvement or to redesign the parent plan. Parent and family engagement activities are offered at various times during the school day, and in the evenings, so that as many parents as possible are able to attend. Parents may submit suggestions for parent and family engagement activities or request regular meetings, and the school will address these requests in a timely manner.