# West Fannin Elementary School

***Parent and Family Engagement Plan***

***and Plan for Shared Student Success***

## *2025-2026 School Year*

***West Fannin Elementary School***
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***www.wfes.fannin.k12.ga.us Plan***
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**What is Title I?**

West Fannin Elementary is identified as 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 challenging state academic standards in order 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.

## School Plan for Shared Student Achievement

**What is it?** This is a plan that describes how West Fannin Elementary will provide opportunities to improve family engagement to support student learning. West Fannin Elementary 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 the different ways that West Fannin Elementary 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 developed?** West Fannin Elementary School welcomes parent input and comments at any time regarding the plan. All parents were invited to provide input to review and revise this family engagement policy. Parents were invited to attend two meetings in the spring to review and revise this family engagement policy. If parents were unable to attend the meetings a Google Form was made available for input via Class Dojo and Facebook. Additionally, there is a comment section on the last page of this plan where you may provide input at any time. The plan is also posted on our school website. All parent feedback received during the year will be used to revise the plan for the next school year. We will also distribute a survey in August to ask parents for their suggestions on the use of funds for family engagement. All parents are encouraged to attend School Governance Team and PTO meetings to give feedback during the school year.

**Who is it for?** All students participating in the Title I, Part A program, and their families are encouraged and invited to fully participate in the opportunities described in this plan. West Fannin Elementary will provide full opportunity for the participation of parents and family members with limited English, with disabilities, and of migratory children.

**Where is it available?** The plan is available on our web-site and parents can retrieve a copy of the plan in the Parent Resource Room. A copy of this plan will be uploaded to our school website by November 1, 2025.

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## 2025-26 District Goals

 In 2025-26, students taking the Milestones ELA assessments will meet or exceed the 3% achievement improvement targets.
 In 2025-26, students taking the Milestones Math assessments will meet or exceed the 3% achievement improvement targets.
 In 2025-26 we will provide emotional, social, academic and behavior support to students to encourage engagement in their education, underscore the belief that failing is part of learning (resilience), and promotes good physical, mental and emotional health
 In 2025-26 we will provide structured support, mentoring and professional learning to those enrolled in our New Teacher Induction program and potential leadership candidates.

**2025-26 School Goals**

**To strengthen foundational math skills for all students.**

**To improve literacy skills in all grade levels.**

**To more effectively meet the needs of the whole child – including students' physical, emotional, social, and educational needs.**

## School-Parent Compacts

As part of this plan, West Fannin and our families will develop a school-parent compact, which is an agreement that parents, teachers, and students will develop that explains how parents and our school will work together to make sure all our students reach grade-level standards. The compacts will be reviewed and updated annually based on feedback from parents, students, and teachers. The school-parent compacts also are shared with parents during parent-teacher conferences. Additional copies can be obtained from the Parent Resource Room.

## *Upcoming Events Let's Get Together!*

West Fannin Elementary will host the following events to build the capacity for strong family engagement to support a partnership among the school, parents, and community to improve student academic achievement. We are always trying to find new ways to encourage parent involvement and will strive to bring you additional events throughout the school year. We encourage all parents to attend!

Open House and Curriculum Night- Monday, August 4, 2025

✔ Meet your child's teacher and our friendly and helpful school staff for the year.

✔ Parents will meet with their student's teachers and learn about expectations, content and curriculum.

Annual Title I Night – Tuesday, August 26, 2025

✔ Learn more about Title I including laws, finances, and parent involvement.

Day in the Life Of... PreK – 5th

✔ Gain knowledge about topics relevant to foster the "Whole Child".

**Family Math Night – Fall 2025**

✔ Learn how to help your child with math skills while visiting the book fair.

Parent-Teacher Conferences – Fall and Spring

✔ Scheduled updates on your child's progress

Parent and Family Engagement Survey – January 2026

✔ Provide valuable feedback regarding parent involvement, communication, and academics.

Family Literacy Night – Spring 2026

✔ Enjoy a fun filled family night centered around Literacy and visit the book fair.

WFES PTO

✔ We meet every other month on the second Tuesday at 8:00 starting in August

✔ We encourage participation in our PTO. We value your input!

Parent and Family Appreciation – May 2026

✔ A celebration of family engagement and the recognition of its impact on school and student success.

Input for Stakeholders/Parent Meeting – May 2026

✔ Stakeholders are encouraged to participate in development of our school improvement goals, school- parent compact, and parent/ family engagement policy by providing input during SGT, PTO Executive and SIT meetings.

West Fannin's YouTube Channel

✔ Our Parent Tutorial Playlist offers a wide variety of videos and trainings

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## Parent Resource Center

Come visit the Parent Resource Center. We have books, pamphlets, study materials and activities to use at home. Computers, iPads, printers and a scanner are available for parents! Monday-Friday 8:00 am – 3:30 pm (or schedule a time that works better for you)

## Parent and Family Engagement

West Fannin Elementary believes that family engagement means the participation of parents and family members in regular two-way, and meaningful communication involving student academic learning and other school activities, including ensuring that:

- 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.

## Support

West Fannin Elementary is committed to helping our parents and families attend the family activities listed in this policy. Please call or email us if you need assistance with child care or transportation in order to participate in our programs.

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## West Fannin is Reaching Out!

West Fannin Elementary 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 sent home on upcoming events and weekly grade level newsletters for all parents. As well as, ShoutPoint telephone contact, Class Dojo, Facebook, and the use of our school marquee (as needed).

✔ Use various surveys to gather data to increase family engagement which will help us to provide meaningful trainings and assist parents in the academic needs of students.

✔ Share information in English and Spanish (as needed) in grade level newsletters 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 our local Preschool programs by presenting information to upcoming parents, hosting a tour day.

✔ Build staff capacity by providing trainings for staff on strategies to improve communication with parents, increase parent involvement, and support learning.

✔ Provide necessary materials for parents at conferences, meetings, and activities to help parents work with their child to improve their child's achievement.

✔ Use our Partners in Education and STEM to improve awareness of the activities and events listed in the school parent and family engagement policy.

✔ Offer parent classes to help further enhance their ability to support learning at home.

✔ Listen and respond to parents' requests for additional support for parent and family engagement activities.

**Parent and Family**

**Engagement Standards**

West Fannin and our parents have adopted the National PTO 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 Community

*The Fannin County School System does not discriminate on the basis of race, color, national origin, sex, age, religion, creed or disability in admission to its programs, services, and activities in access to them, in treatment of individuals or in any aspect of operations. This also includes but not be limited to additions, modifications, or alterations to the physical plan of any school facility.*

## PTO

West Fannin Elementary invites all parents to join the PTO to share ideas and ways to involve other parents to build partnerships with school, families, and the community. The team will meet at 8:00 a.m. every other month beginning in August. If you would like to learn more about the PTO, please contact the Parent Liaison, Amy Curtis at 706-492- 3644 or acurtis@fannin.k12.ga.us

☐ Yes, I am excited about joining PTO.

☐ Yes, please contact me so I can learn more.

☐ Yes, this sounds like a great idea, please keep me posted about future meetings.

Name: _____

Child's Name and Grade: _____

Address: _____

Phone Number: _____

Email address: _____

## 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 Parent Resource Room or the Main Office:*

*Name (Optional):*_____

*Telephone Number (Optional):*_____

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