

# Lake Forest Elementary



## *Parent and Family Engagement Policy and Plan for Shared Student Success 2025-2026 School Year*

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### **What is Title I?**

**Lake Forest 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 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 Plan.

## **School Plan for Shared Student Achievement**

### **What is it?**

This is a plan that describes how **Lake Forest Elementary** will provide opportunities to improve family engagement to support student learning. **Lake Forest 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 **Lake Forest 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 revised?**

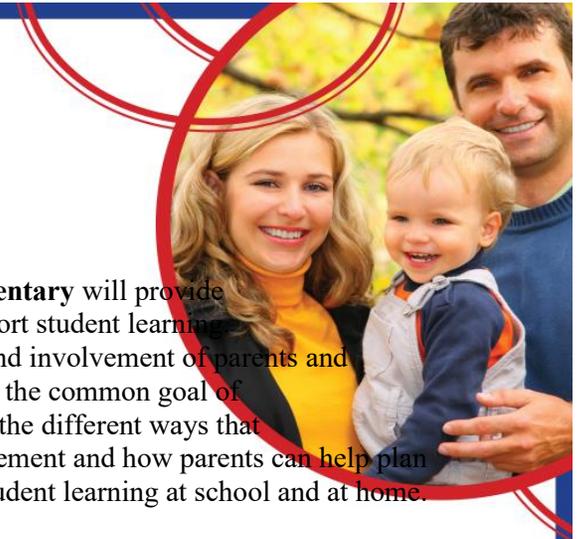
**Lake Forest Elementary** School invited all parents to attend our Parent Input Meeting last spring to review and revise this parent and family engagement plan, as well as the schoolwide plan, our school-family compact, and the 1% family engagement budget. Additionally, parent input and comments regarding 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 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.

### **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. **Lake Forest 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 Parent and Family Engagement Plan is made available on our school's website, distributed through the school, sent by email, and community (Community Assistance Center). Parents may also request a copy of the plan at the school front desk by contacting our Title I Parent Liaison.



### 2025-2026 District Goals

- Increase the percentage of all students scoring proficient or distinguished on Reading Milestones.
- Increase the percentage of all students scoring proficient or distinguished on Math Milestones.

### School Goals k-5 by Spring 2026

- 55% of students in grades K-5 will be reading or above grade level as measured by iReady testing by May 2026

## School-Parent Compacts

As part of this plan, Lake Forest Elementary 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 teachers 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 during our Input Meetings. The school-parent compacts also are shared with parents in Parents Teacher conferences and kept in the school office if families need another copy.

## Let's Get Together!

Lake Forest Elementary will host the following events to build the capacity for strong family engagement to support a partnership among the school, parents, and the community to improve student academic achievement.

### **Open House "Sneak a Peek" – August 1, 2025**

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

### **Snack and Chat with the Principal – Bi-monthly (August to May, 2025-2026)**

Meet every two months with the Principal to exchange ideas and knowledge on topics relevant to your child's education, such as safety, technology, mental health, student support services, and more.

### **Parent Curriculum Orientation – September 9, 2025**

Provides parents with an overview and explanation of the curriculum, focusing on literacy and student achievement standards.

### **Annual Title I Meeting – Sept 9, 2025**

We invite you to an evening of learning and sharing about our Title I program, including our parent and family engagement plan, the schoolwide plan and the school-parent compacts. Invitations will be posted in the School Website, Class Dojo, and Remind.

### **ESOL Workshop – September 24, 2025**

Learn about ESOL Program.

### **Technology Master Class Workshop – October 21, 2025**

Join us to learn all about technological monitoring of your student's school performance through Infinite Campus, Security tools (Digital Citizenship), and information about Harms of Copyright Piracy.

### **Parent-Teacher Conferences – October - November, 2025**

It provides parents with the results of individual student academic assessments, the interpretation of those results, and the proficiency levels students are expected to achieve. Teachers will also provide strategies for support their child's academic progress and discuss the school-family compact.

### **Literacy Night - December 2, 2025**

Join your student for a fun afternoon of games and language arts learning for everyone!

### **Math Night – February 2026**

Join your student for a fun afternoon of games and Math learning for everyone!

### **GA Milestones: March-2026**

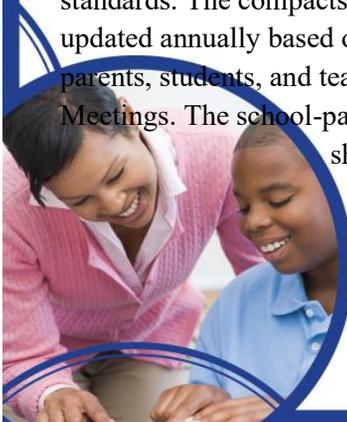
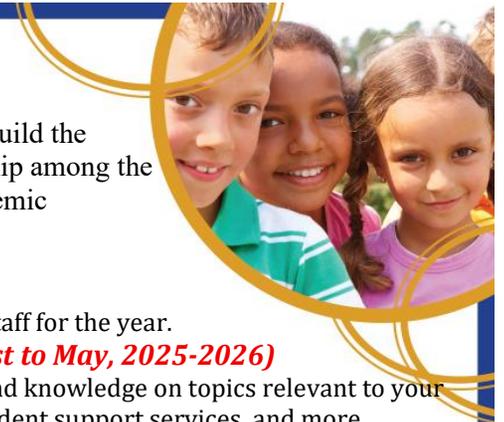
Georgia Milestones measures how well students have mastered the knowledge and skills described in the state-adopted content standards in language arts, mathematics, science, and social studies and the Georgia Standards of Excellence.

### **Input Meeting (am and pm)– March 17, 2026.**

Review the school-family compact, PFEP and 1% family engagement budget.

### **Kindergarten Transition Workshop – April 23, 2026**

Prepare your child for a smooth transition to Kindergarten and understand the registration process. Experience a day in the life of a Lake Forest kindergarten student.



Parent Resource Center Available in Room 253.5 please call for appointment.

## Parent and Family Engagement

Lake Forest 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.
- That parents are encouraged to be actively involved in their child's education at school.
- That 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.

Lake Forest 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 any assistance.

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## Lake Forest is Branching Out!

Lake Forest 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 and family engagement programs, meetings, School-Family Compacts, Parent and Family Engagement Plan, and other activities is published in both English and Spanish and posted on the school website, Class Dojo & Remind.
- ✓ Share information in English and Spanish 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 schoolwide events and activities, through phone messages, Class Dojo, Smore, and flyers.
- ✓ Develop relevant trainings and helpful presentations to educate parents and staff on the importance of parent and family engagement and how to support student learning.
- ✓ Provide necessary materials and handouts for parents at conferences, meetings, and activities to help parents work with their child to improve their child's achievement.
  - ✓ Provide cross-cultural training for staff to improve communication with our EL families.
  - ✓ Encourage parent volunteerism for help teachers in the classroom with student activities and other classroom needs.
  - ✓ Cultural Awareness - Provide training to staff on how to engage with parents culturally.
  - ✓ Gathering (provide training for teachers to learn more about the home environment and community environment of Lake Forest families)
  - ✓ Partner with early childhood programs, feeder middle schools, organizations, parent resource centers, or other programs (as applicable) to help prepare parents and their children for successful school transitioning.

**- The residential facilities for students in the Lake Forest attendance area are included in the family engagement activities and events.**  
**If you need Transportation or child care please contact the main office for further assistance.**



## Parent and Family Engagement Standards

Lake Forest Elementary and our parents have adopted the 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

## Parent Teacher Organization

Lake Forest Elementary invites all parents to join the PTO and to share ideas and ways to involve other parents and community members in organizing activities with the school, families, and the community. The PTO will meet once every other month during the school year, but parents and family members can also share their ideas or suggestions at any school meeting and activity. If you would like more information about the PTO, please complete the registration form at the front desk.



## Share Your Thoughts

We want to hear from you. If you have any suggestions or if there is any part of this Plan 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) \_\_\_\_\_

Phone Number: (optional) \_\_\_\_\_

Email Address: (optional) \_\_\_\_\_

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