Johnson County High School

Parent and Family Engagement Policy and Plan for Shared Student Success

2025-2026 School Year

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What is Title I?

Johnson County High School 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 policy.

School Plan for Shared Student Achievement

What is it?

This is a plan that describes how Johnson County High School will provide opportunities to improve family engagement to support student learning. Johnson County High 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 ways in parent-friendly language that Johnson County High will support family engagement and how parents can help plan and participate in activities and events to promote student learning at school and home.

How is it revised?

Johnson County High School invited all parents to attend Title I Parent Planning Meetings each spring to review and revise this parent and family engagement policy, as well as the schoolwide plan, our school-parent compact, and the family engagement budget. Additionally, 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 and will be electronically submitted to the district. 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. Johnson County High School 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?

At the beginning of the year, the plan is included in the student handbook that is given to all students. The plan will also be posted in the school lobby, on the school website and social media. Parents can also retrieve a copy of the plan both in the Parent Resource Room and in the school's front lobby.



2021-2026 School Goals

Goal 1: By the end of 2025, the number of students who effectively apply the knowledge, attitudes, and skills necessary to understand and improve social-emotional learning will increase by 3% each year as measured by Satchel data.

Goal 2: By the end of the 2025 school year, there will be a 3% yearly increase of high school students performing at or above proficient as measured by Reading Inventory Data.

Goal 3: By the end of 2025, student achievement data will increase by 3% each year as measured by Milestone data in all content areas.



School-Parent Compacts

As part of this plan, Johnson County High School and our families will develop a school-parent compact, which is an agreement that parents, teachers, and students 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 the Title One Parent Meetings. The School-Parent compacts also are shared with parents during Parent-Teacher conferences and kept in the front office if parents need another copy.

Let's Get Together!

Johnson County High School strives to support strong home/school relations. Parents participate in school committees like the Parent Advisory Council and CTAE Stakeholder Team. They come to meetings to review policies and plans and develop skills to work with their children. The school provides parents with syllabi annually that have a description and explanation of the curriculum in use in all core classes. **Parents make a difference**, and their support is critical in our efforts to provide quality education to their children. To better meet parents' needs, we offer online and in-person meetings and make home visits if needed at various times. Title I funds will be provided for home visits and childcare as needed. To involve parents at Johnson County High School, we have planned the following programs, communication efforts, and activities:

Parent Orientation – August 2025
Meet your child's teacher and our friendly, helpful school staff for the year.

Annual Title I Parent Meeting – August 2025
We invite you to an evening of learning and sharing about our Title I program, including our parent and family engagement policy, the school-wide plan, the school-parent compacts, and parents' requirements. The school will share invitations through school newsletters, social media, and local media.

State of the School- September 2025
Principal will provide stakeholders with a description and explanation of the assessments used to measure student progress and achievement levels of the challenging State academic standards

Parent and Family Engagement Month – November 2025
A celebration of family engagement and the recognition of its impact on school and student success.

STEM Night – November 2025
We invite you to an evening of learning about, doing, and sharing STEM.

High School Transition Meeting- February 2026
We invite you to learn about course offerings for developing graduation plans, academic pathways, and extracurricular activities available to help prepare your student for college and career readiness.

School Parent Input Meetings- March & April 2026
Parents will provide input for the School Improvement Plan, Parent Satisfaction and Needs Assessment Survey, the School-Parent Compact, the Parent and Family Engagement Policy, Title I funds allotted for parent/family engagement, and building staff capacity.

Annual Parent Survey- April-May 2026
Parents will provide input on ways to improve the school, on items that need revising, and items that need maintaining.

Parent Resource Center

Monday and Wednesday, 7:30 am – 3:30 pm

Come visit the Parent Resource Center to check out books, study materials, and activities to use at home with your child. Computers are available for parents to explore the Parent Portal and educational resources.

Parent and Family Engagement

Johnson County High School believes that family engagement means the participation of parents 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.



Parents,

Johnson County High School 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 and/or transportation in order to participate in our programs.

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Johnson County High School is Branching Out!

Johnson County High School will take the following measures to promote/support parents and family members as an essential foundation to strengthen the school and reach our school goals. We will:

- ✔ Provide quarterly trainings for staff on strategies to recognize the value and utility of parent contributions, improve communication with parents, work with parents as equal partners, and collaborate about ideas to increase family engagement with reading/math activities for our students outside of the classroom. Staff will also share best practices during regularly scheduled faculty meetings.
- ✔ Translate school forms to support limited English families.
- ✔ Collaborate with middle school, college/career ready resources or organizations, parent resource centers, or other programs (as applicable) to help prepare parents and their children for successful school transitioning.
- ✔ Use our Parent Advisory Council and Parent Leaders to improve awareness of the activities and events listed in the school parent and family engagement policy.
- ✔ Offer Literacy workshops for parents on the JOCO Literacy STEM bus to help further enhance parent's ability to help their students.
- ✔ Collect feedback from parents/family members at all events, place input cards around the building and post a suggestion form on the school website in order to respond to parents' requests for additional support for parent and family engagement activities.
- ✔ Communicate with all families and the community on a regular basis regarding schoolwide events and activities, through phone messages, social media, and flyers.
- ✔ Work with our parents to develop relevant training and helpful presentations to educate our staff on the importance of parent and family engagement and how to support student learning (Title I Part A).
- ✔ 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 and partner with teachers to support their child's academic progress.
- ✔ Provide parents with syllabi annually that have a description and explanation of the curriculum in use in all courses at the high school
- ✔ Assist parents in understanding topics regarding The Georgia Standards of Excellence, Milestones, and Partnering with teachers to support their child's academic achievements.

Parent and Family Engagement Standards

Johnson County High School 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:

- Welcoming All Families
- Communicating Effectively
- Supporting Student Success
- Speaking Up for Every Child
- Sharing Power
- Collaborating with Community



Parent Advisory Council (PAC)

Johnson County High School invites all parents to join the Parent Advisory Council to share ideas and ways to involve other parents and family members to build partnerships with school, families, and the community. The team will meet three times during the school year, but parents and family members can also submit their ideas or suggestions at any school activities and meetings, as well as through our parent surveys and website. If you would like to learn more about the Parent Advisory Council, please contact the principal at 478-864-2222 or complete the interest form and leave it in the Main Office.

Parent Advisory Council (PAC)

- ☐ Yes, I am interested and wish to join the Parent Advisory Council.
- ☐ Please contact me so I can learn more in joining the Parent Advisory Council.
- ☐ Please send me notifications about future meetings and updates.

Name:

Child's Name and Grade:

Address:

Phone Number:

Email address:

Our Mission:

The mission of Johnson County Schools is to provide a safe and challenging environment that gives all students an opportunity to reach their full potential.

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. The school will share your comments with the District Federal Programs Director.

Name: (optional)

Telephone Number: (optional)

Comments: