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A Title I School

## 2025 - 2026 Parent and Family Engagement Plan Summary

### Parent and Family Engagement Mission Statement

The mission of Dr. Mary McLeod Bethune Elementary School's Parent and Family Engagement program is to create an authentic commitment to engage our students and their families and to build meaningful partnerships among the school, families, community and stakeholders to help all students reach their optimum level of academic and behavioral achievement by strengthening families and stakeholders' knowledge of learning opportunities with informational texts, rigorous learning goals and instruction, and International Baccalaureate learning profiles.

### Annual Title I Meeting

Each year, families are invited to attend this meeting at the beginning of the school year to learn more about our schoolwide Title I Program and the requirements of Title I. The Title I Annual Parent Meeting will be held on Tuesday, October 14, 2025 at 5:15 pm in person.

### Parent and Family Engagement Trainings

Based on family survey input, we will provide the following activities to assist families in understanding the state curriculum and assessments to help families support their children's academic achievement:

- **Reading, Math, and Science Nights** for families to learn specific strategies to help their children at home.
- **Parent Conference Days** for teachers to discuss with parents where their child is based on the data.

### Shared Decision-Making

Families will be invited to meetings throughout the year to receive academic information, reports, and provide input on ways the school, families and students can share responsibility for student success. We hope you will join us for SAC meetings, parent conferences, Title I meetings, and parent trainings.

### Communication

Based on your input, we will provide flexible meeting dates and times to accommodate work schedules. We will also communicate in an on-going and timely manner using a variety of methods including our school website, social media, emails, phone calls from teachers and school administration; by flyers sent home with your student; through notes in your student's agenda, school marquee, school newsletter/calendar, and academic reports. If you find that communication does not seem to be getting home, please let us know.

### Accessibility for all Families

We encourage all families to attend meetings and events. School staff will provide support needed for all families to be able to participate and be engaged in their child's education. We provide translated documents and interpreters (academic reports, flyers), accessible meeting space, and multiple meeting days and times. Please notify the school if other assistance is needed. We want all families to be a part of their child's education!

### Volunteers

Families are encouraged to be involved at our school to help students and teachers be successful. To find out more about volunteer opportunities, please call our Single School Culture Coordinator, Ms. Crummell. We would love to have your help.

### Our Plan

This plan was written in partnership with families, staff, and members of our school community. We welcome your suggestions to improve our family engagement practices. If you have comments, you may write them on the line below. You are also encouraged to attend our Stakeholder Input Meeting, complete training evaluations, and the Parent & Family engagement survey sent home each year.