

CEDAR HILL ELEMENTARY

THE PLAN... THE PROMISE...

2026-2027



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WHAT IS A FAMILY AND COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT PLAN?

It is a plan that describes how our school will provide opportunities to improve family engagement that will support student learning at school and at home. All students and their families are invited and encouraged to fully participate in the opportunities described in this plan. The school will provide information and as many opportunities as possible for the participation of all family members.

WHAT IS A SCHOOL-FAMILY PROMISE?

It is a written agreement that outlines how the school, the students, and the family will work together to ensure your child's academic success. An effective School-Family Promise contains the following elements:

- Clear learning goals that are linked to the school's improvement plan
- Specific skills students will learn during the year
- Strategies that staff, families, and students will use to improve student learning
- Ways to extend learning at home
- Methods teachers and family members will use to communicate about student progress
- Opportunities for family members to observe and participate in the classroom
- Jointly-developed by families, school staff, students, community business partners, and other stakeholders during our Planning Meeting
- The School-Family Promise will be reviewed at the Annual Meeting, parent teacher conferences and other Title I parent meetings throughout the school year.

LET'S TALK

- News letters
- School website
- Parent Square
- Friday Folders
- Phone calls and emails

*If you need interpretation and/or translation services, please contact: [Dayanara Torres-Ramos](mailto:Dayanara.Torres-Ramos@gcpsk12.org)
Dayanara.Torres-Ramos@gcpsk12.org or 678- 377-8997*

ACTIVITIES TO BUILD OUR PARTNERSHIP

FALL SEMESTER

- Title I Annual Meeting
- Curriculum Night
- STEAM Night
- Literacy Night
- Mother Son Event
- International Night

SPRING

- Mother Son Event
- Father Daughter Dance
- Kindergarten Transition Meeting
- GMAS Testing Parent Meeting

Parent Teacher Conferences
October 28-29, 2026
March 3-4 2026



WHERE IS THE PLAN AVAILABLE?

The Family and Community Engagement Plan and all other Title I information are available on our school's website at <https://www.gcpsk12.org/cedarhilles> under the Title I Section. Families can also find paper copies of this Family and Community Engagement Plan in our Family Engagement Center. Parents may request a paper copy from:

Dr. Aisha House phone: 770-822-1263

email: Aisha.House@gcpsk12.org

Dayanara Torres-Ramos phone: 678-377-8997

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HOW IS THE PLAN DEVELOPED AND REVISED?

It is reviewed and revised at least annually during the Planning Meeting in the spring. All feedback forms from the Planning Meeting are submitted to the Office of Federal Programs for review. Families who are not able to attend the Planning Meeting have the opportunity to review draft documents and provide input during the draft document review period.

COMMUNICATION

Communication with our community is very important to our Cedar Hill Family. Whenever feasible we translate items into Spanish. When feasible we have Spanish and Vietnamese interpreters available at parent meetings. We will gladly arrange for an interpreter in other languages for parent teacher meetings when requested. We try to respond to all communication within 24-48 business hours.

We hold parent teacher conferences twice a year, once in the fall and once in the spring. Parents may also request a parent teacher conference by emailing their child's teacher or calling the school at 770-962-5015.

ENGAGING AND EMPOWERING FAMILIES WITH...

- ❖ **Title I Program Information:** Program information is available during the Title I Planning Meeting in the spring and Annual Parent Meetings in the fall, on the school website, and in the Parent Center.
- ❖ **Curriculum Information:** Knowing what your child is learning at school is important. We will keep you informed throughout the year about what your child is learning during parent meetings, conferences, and on our school website.
- ❖ **Student Progress Monitoring:** The Parent Portal is an online resource that allows families to view grades, attendance, schedules, assessment, and your child's results, course history, and much more. Monitoring your child's progress in school is an important way to be engaged.
- ❖ **Parent Resources:** We have many resources available for checkout to use at home with your child. We also host several parent workshops to empower you as you work with your child at home.
- ❖ **Staff Training:** We will train our staff to effectively communicate with you. Your input on how we train our staff is valuable.
- ❖ **Communication:** We will communicate, to the extent feasible, all information with you in a language and format you understand. Whenever possible, we will provide interpreters during parent workshops, and academic events. Translation is available for most documents.
- ❖ **Transition Support:** Entering a new school can be scary for both students and families. We will host events to make sure both you and your child are aware of what is expected and how you can prepare as your child transitions to a new school level, college, and career.

DID YOU KNOW?

- ✓ Title I is a federal program designed to support school reform efforts to improve teaching and learning for all students.
- ✓ Title I programs are based on effective means of improving student achievement and include strategies to support family engagement.
- ✓ The Title I Office reserves at least one percent of the district's allocation to fund family and community engagement programs. The use of these funds is based on suggestions gathered at our spring Planning Meetings from families and community members. Funds are distributed equally to all our Title I schools.
- ✓ Childcare and/or transportation may be provided for meetings and school events.

Our Mission

The mission of Cedar Hill Elementary is to pursue excellence in academic knowledge, skills and behavior for each student, resulting in measured improvement against local, national and world-class standards.



OUR DISTRICT GOALS

The Blueprint for the Future is the strategic plan for Gwinnett County Public Schools. This plan is organized into four strategic priorities, each with three specific goals. To ensure success, these goals have clear objectives and Key Performance Indicators (KPIs) to track and measure progress. Each year schools review their data to identify areas for growth and set long-term goals to improve them. This information is used to create a Local School Plan for Improvement (LSPI) aligned to the district's priorities. School staff, families, and community members participate in providing input for the LSPI. Families can easily access the latest strategic plan on the Gwinnett County Public Schools' website.

OUR SCHOOL GOALS

We will provide all students with high quality curriculum and instruction in a supportive and effective learning environment to meet high academic standards.

Increase the percentage of K-2 students performing on or above grade level on district assessments and the percentage of 3-5 students performing on or above grade level on the Georgia Milestones Assessment.

WORKING TOGETHER TO ENSURE SUCCESS

Cedar Hill Elementary Will ...

- Offer parent workshops that focus on building parent capacity by teaching and modeling strategies to help students become successful in math
- Have websites and activities parents can go to help support their child's learning goals.
- Make the Family Engagement Center available for parents, to check out materials that can be used at home to support academic growth.



Tony Patino

Principal's Signature

3/19/26

Date

As Students, we will...



- Follow the **P.A.T.H.** Be **P**repared, **A**cept responsibility, **T**ry my best, **H**ave Respect
- Study for test and quizzes
- Never give up
- Read nightly
- Complete Assignments

As Families, we will...

- Look for notices in your child's Friday folder and check your email and or parent square, so that you are aware of workshops. We will commit to bring our children to school events.
- With your child, check their teacher's google classroom page and help them complete activities and navigate the suggested educational websites.
- Read Nightly with my child and help them complete homework assignments.
- Maintain communication with my child's teacher and school.



VISIT OUR PARENT CENTER

Our Family Engagement Center has learning games, books, and many other resources available for families to checkout and use at home. Our Parent Outreach Liaison Dayanara Torres-Ramos and Parent Instructional Coordinator Dr. Aisha House are available to help you find resources, navigate the Parent Portal, connect with teachers, and learn about ways you can help your children at home. I reworded the last sentence a bit

Our Parent Center is located outside of the cafeteria entrance.

Monday – Friday
8:15 am – 2:30 pm

Please contact Dr. Aisha House or Dayanara Torres-Ramos for additional information about our Family Engagement Center and resources available for check-out.

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Parent volunteers are always welcome. Parents can volunteer in the family engagement center any day school is in session from 8:15am- 2:30pm. Parents can volunteer in the classroom by contacting the classroom teacher. Parents may also volunteer in the media center by contacting Mrs. Gruhn or Mrs. Ward at 678- 377-8986.