

A. Dorothy Hains Elementary

Parent and Family Engagement Policy and Plan for Shared Student Success

2026-2027 School Year

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What is Title I?

A.DorothyHains 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 **A.Dorothy Hains Elementary** will provide Opportunities to improve family engagement to support student learning. Hains Elementary School 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 **A.Dorothy Hains 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?

A.Dorothy Hains Elementary School invited all parents to attend our annual School Forum last spring to review and revise this parent and family engagement policy, as well as the school wide plan, our school-parent compact, and the family engagement budget. Additionally, parent input and comments regarding this plan are welcome during the school year through an online form. 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 and by mail 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. **A.Dorothy Hains 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?

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 on the school website and social media. Parents can also retrieve a copy of the plan in the Parent Facilitator office and front office.



2026-2027 District Goals

Student Achievement

During the 26-27 school year, we will increase content mastery for student groups in tested subject areas on the Georgia Milestones by 3%.

2026-2027 School Goals

By the end of the 2026-2027 school year, Hains Elementary will:

1. increase the percentage of students scoring "proficient" or higher from 14% (29 students) to 25% (49 students) as measured by the GMAS ELA.
2. increase the percentage of students in grades K-5 scoring On Grade Level in the Number and Operations math domain from 46% (179 students) to 67% (261 students) as measured by I-Ready.
3. increase the percentage of students attending school from 77.58% to 88%.

School-Parent Compacts

As part of this plan, **Hains 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 survey. The school-parent compact also are shared with parents during parent-teacher conferences and kept with each child's teacher if parents need another copy.

Let's Get Together!

A. Dorothy Hains 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. All meetings for parents and family members will be held twice during the day in the morning at 10:00 am and in the evening at 5:00 pm.

Open House – August 3, 2026

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

Annual Title I meeting – September 2026

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. Flyer will be sent home with sent, school marquee and phone shout out.

Hains Principal Power Hour- To inform our Hains family on up-to-date information. Principal will discuss a variety of topics related to keep parents informed on what to expect from the school for the upcoming month. ***(At the end of every month starting September 30th 2026.)***

Parent Workshops – Parents will discuss a variety of topics (ex. Infinite Campus, Launchpad etc.) to help their succeed in school. ***(2x per month starting Oct. 2nd ,2026).***

Teachers Teach & Media Specialist – Teachers will host a class for parents where there will be teaching the lessons their scholars are currently learning so that parents can get an idea of how their students are being taught. ***(Every other month starting Oct.9th 2026).***

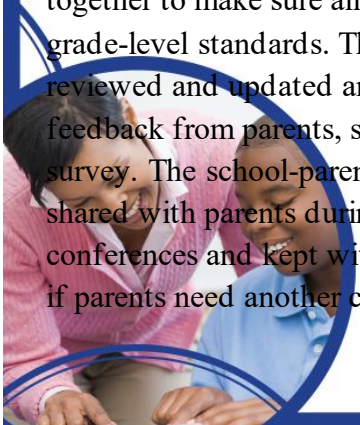
Family Reading Day- 1st Semester 2026 - (Wallace Branch Library).

All Stars Reading- 2nd Semester 2027 (Hains Elementary School January 2027).

Community Reading Day - October 2026

Math Night - (IGA Grocery Store) November 2026

National Parent Engagement Month November 2026



Parent Resource Center

Come visit the **Hains Elementary 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.

Monday – Friday, 9:00 am – 1:00pm

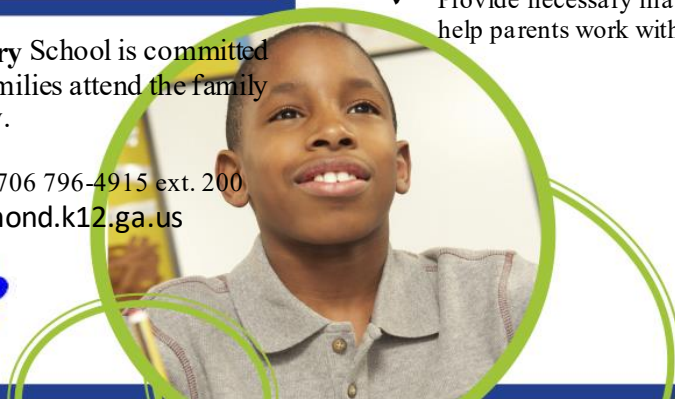
Parent and Family Engagement

A.Dorothy Hains 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.

A.Dorothy Hains Elementary School is committed to helping our parents and families attend the family activities listed in this policy.

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A. Dorothy Hains Elementary is Branching Out!



A.Dorothy Hains Elementary will take the following measures to promote and support parents and family members as an important foundation of the school 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 posted on the school website, school marquee, phone shout points, and included in the monthly parent facilitator newsletter for all families.
- ✓ Provide monthly trainings for staff during their planning periods on strategies to improve communication with parents and ideas to increase family engagement with reading and math activities for our students outside of the classroom. Staff will also share best practices during regularly scheduled faculty meetings.
- ✓ Share information on the school blog and in the school web page 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, school marquee, and flyers.
- ✓ Work with our parents to develop relevant trainings and helpful presentations to educate our 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.
- ✓ Collect feedback from parents and family members at all events, place input card around the building and a post suggestion form on the school website in order to respond to parents' requests for additional support for parent and family engagement activities.



Parent and Family Engagement Standards

Hains Elementary and our parents have adopted the National PT0 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

School Council Team

Hains Elementary invites all parents to join the School Council Team 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 four 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 School Council Team, please contact the principal at 706-796-4918 or complete the interest form and leave it in the Main Office or Parent Facilitator office.



Hains School Council

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

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 Main Office:

Name: (optional) _____

Telephone Number: (optional) _____

