Veterans Elementary School

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PARENT AND FAMILY ENGAGEMENT PLAN
2026- 2027

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What is Title I

Veterans Elementary School is identified as a Title I school as part of the "Every Student Succeed Act" (ESSA). Title I is designed to support State and local school reform efforts tied to 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 all parents and family members a written family engagement plan.

District Goals

Strategic Goal 1: Student Achievement
All students will continually demonstrate high academic and social-emotional growth preparing them for life, college, and careers.
Strategic Goal 2: Staff Effectiveness
All employees will excel daily in the performance of their roles to ensure our district thrives.
Strategic Goal 3: Stakeholder Engagement
We will build collective ownership and active engagement among all stakeholders to maximize students' overall learning experience.

Refer to the detailed Board of Education 2023-2028 Strategic Plan for measurable outcomes by category at www.bcsdk12.net

School Goals

Reading - To increase the percentage of students reading proficiently or above as measured by Lexile score on the GMAS by 10% in Spring of 2027.

Math - To increase the percentage of 3rd grade students by 10%, 4 grade students by 10% and 5th grade by 10% scoring proficient or above in Math, on the GMAS by the Spring of 2027.

Focus Area: K-5 Word Problem Solving/Student Growth Percentile

School-Parent Compact

A school-parent compact will be developed through collaboration among parents, students, teachers, and administrators. It is an agreement among partners in education and serves as a reminder that all members share responsibility and work together for student learning and achievement. The compact will be reviewed annually during Family and Community Engagement (FACE) Forums held in the spring. The compact will be updated, based on feedback from teachers, parents, students, and administrators.

Parent, Teachers, and Students Share Responsibility for Success

What is this plan? This plan describes how Veterans Elementary School will provide opportunities to improve family engagement to support student learning. We value the contributions 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 Veterans Elementary School 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 developed? Veterans Elementary School invited all parents to attend our annual Title I Family and Community Engagement (FACE) Forum to review and revise this plan, the schoolwide plan, school-parent compact and family engagement budget. Meetings are held at various times in the spring. All feedback received will be used to revise the plan for the next school year. We also distributed an annual survey to ask parents and family members for their suggestions on the plan and use of funds for family engagement.

Who is the plan for? All students who participate in the Title I, Part A program, and their families, are encouraged and invited to fully participate in the opportunities described in this plan. Veterans Elementary will provide full opportunity for the participation of parents with limited English, parents with disabilities and parents of migratory children.

Where will the plan be available?
The plan will be available at school meetings. The plan will also be posted on the school website, and can be retrieved from the front office, and the Parent Resource Center located in the media center.



Parent and Family Engagement Plan 2026-2027

Veterans will take the following measures to promote and support parents 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 timely and published in English and, Spanish an interpreter is available for meetings and events upon request.

Communicate with all families and the community on a regular basis about school meetings and events via mail, Veterans newsletters, marquee, school messenger, flyers, and telephone calls.

Conduct staff development on family engagement best practices and effective strategies for staff to work with parents as equal partners through emails, training, and grade level meetings.

Partner with Preschool and other early learning programs and zone middle schools to coordinate and integrate family engagement activities to support the full participation of parents in their children's education as they transition from Pre-K to Kindergarten and elementary to middle.

Provide necessary materials and training for parents to work with their children to improve their children's achievement on topics about school curriculum, assessments and how to monitor their child's progress.

Listen and respond to parents' requests for additional support for family engagement activities through parent evaluations and district surveys.

Submit parent feedback about any part of the schoolwide plan that parents feel is not satisfactory to the goals for student and school academic achievement to the local Title I office.



Veterans will host the following events to build capacity for strong family engagement and support community partnerships among the school, parents, and the community to improve student academic achievement. Meetings will be held at various times.

Open House– August 2026: Meet administration, faculty, and staff of Veterans Elementary.

Annual Title I Meeting–August 2026: Join us to learn about our school's performance and benefits of the Title I Programs including the schoolwide plan, budget, school-parent compact, parent and family engagement plan, and family engagement requirements.

Technology, Digital Literacy– September 2026: Parents will learn what assessments are used to track their child's progress and how to monitor their child's progress using Parent Portal, online grades, attendance, and behavior report. Discover how to use technology to assist with homework and other school projects.

Literacy Fun Night, – September 2026: An evening filled with skill building activities that make reading fun. Parents will learn skills that can be used at home to improve reading Lexile Levels, Phonemic Awareness and Phonics skills. Test-taking strategies on the Georgia Milestones will be provided.

Hispanic Heritage & International Literacy Awareness Month-September—October 2026: This event allows parents and students to learn about different cultures. Parent and community volunteers read children's books in Spanish as well as books representative of other cultures.

Math & Science Fun Night– November 2026: Parents and students are encouraged to attend a workshop packed with fun and skill building activities in the areas of mathematics and science. Curriculum guides and standards will also be discussed. Test-taking strategies on the Georgia Milestones will be provided.

Strengthening Family-School Partnerships– (ongoing): Parents will get the opportunity to assist in providing ongoing staff training to effectively communicate with parents through workshop(s), e-mails, tip sheets and/or staff newsletters.

Georgia Parent Engagement Month- November 19, 2026
National Parental Involvement Day– November 2026:
Veterans celebrate the contributions of our families to education.

Title I Parent Survey– November 2026: Parents will have an opportunity to provide feedback on the school's family engagement activities and use of family engagement funds.

Winter Concert Celebration– December 2026: Veterans celebrate our families with chorus and inspirational dances.

Black History Month - February 2027 Various events are held to make families aware of African American culture. Students will apply their reading skills to various school activities. Come and share in our program.

Title I Family and Community Engagement (FACE) Forum-February/March 2027: A forum for parents to participate in round table discussions with the principal and staff regarding the schoolwide plan, parent and family engagement plan, school-parent compact, and the family engagement budget.

Moving on Up Transition Workshops– April 2027: Informative workshops for Pre-K and 5th grade parents to help prepare their child to transition into another setting.

Parent Teacher Conferences: After each reporting period and upon request.

Partnership Opportunities

Parent Workshops **Proctoring for Tests**

Volunteering in Classrooms

All volunteers are welcome at Veterans Elementary School. To volunteer you must complete a volunteer Packet found in the Parent Resource Area located in the media center.

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