

## Lincoln County School

### *Parental Involvement Policy and Plan for Shared Student Success*

*2017-2018 School Year*

*Lincoln County Elementary School*

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### What is Title I?

Lincoln County Elementary is identified as a Title I school as part of the Elementary and Secondary Education Act of 1965 (ESEA). Title I is designed to support State and local school reform efforts tied to challenging state academic standards in reinforce and enhance efforts 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 parental involvement. All

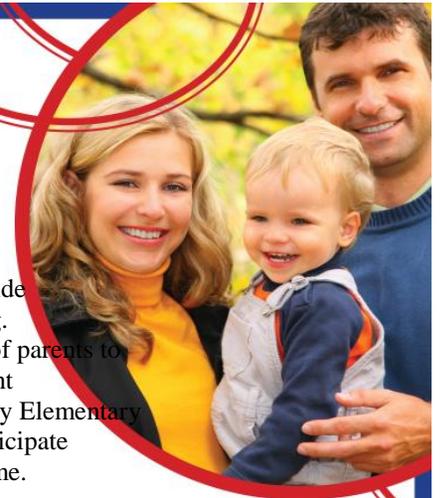
Title I schools must jointly develop with all parents a written parental involvement policy.



## School Plan for Shared Student Achievement

### What is it?

This is a plan that describes how Lincoln County Elementary will provide opportunities to improve parent engagement to support student learning. Lincoln County Elementary values the contributions and involvement of parents to establish an equal partnership for the common goal of improving student achievement. This plan describes the different ways that Lincoln County Elementary will support parent 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?

Lincoln County Elementary School invited parents to attend a meeting to review and revise this parental involvement policy, as well as the schoolwide plan, our school-parent compact. 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 web site 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 parental involvement. Parents 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. Lincoln County Elementary will provide full opportunity for the participation of parents with limited English, parents with disabilities and parents 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 web site. Parents can request a copy of the plan in the front office.

### ***2017-2018 District Goals***

All schools in the district will improve their ELA proficient and distinguished scores on the EOG/EOC in the spring.

### ***2017–2018 School Goals***

We will increase achievement in ELA and Math on the Georgia Milestones Assessment.

*The focus for reading is:*

*K–1: Beginning sounds and sight words*

*K–4: Vocabulary development*

*The focus for math is:*

*K–5: Place value and estimation*

### **School-Parent Compacts**

As part of this plan, Oak 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 during the

Community Cares event and the School Forum.

The school-parent compacts are kept with each child's teacher if parents need a copy.

## **Let's Get Together!**

Lincoln County Elementary will host the following events to build the capacity for strong parental involvement to support a partnership among the school, parents, and the community to improve student academic achievement.

### ***Open House – August 1, 2017***

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

### ***1st Grade Level Information Meeting – August 10, 2017***

Learn the expectations of the grade level and reading/math tips to help parents at home.

### ***5th Grade Level Information Meeting – August 10, 2017***

Learn the expectations of the grade level and reading/math tips to help parents at home.

### ***Kindergarten Information Meeting – August 14, 2017***

Learn the expectations of the grade level and reading/math tips to help parents at home.

### ***2<sup>nd</sup> Grade Level Information Meeting – August 15, 2017***

Learn the expectations of the grade level and reading/math tips to help parents at home.

### ***4th Grade Level Information Meeting – August 15, 2017***

Learn the expectations of the grade level and reading/math tips to help parents at home.

### ***3rd Grade Level Information Meeting – August 24, 2017***

Learn the expectations of the grade level and reading/math tips to help parents at home.

### ***Grandparent's Weeks – September 18-28, 2017***

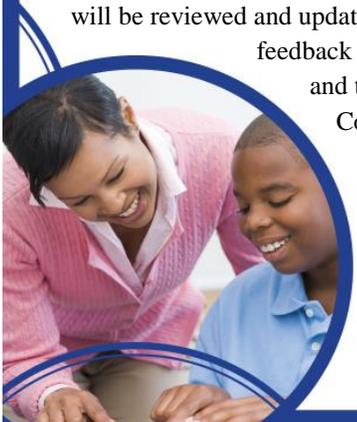
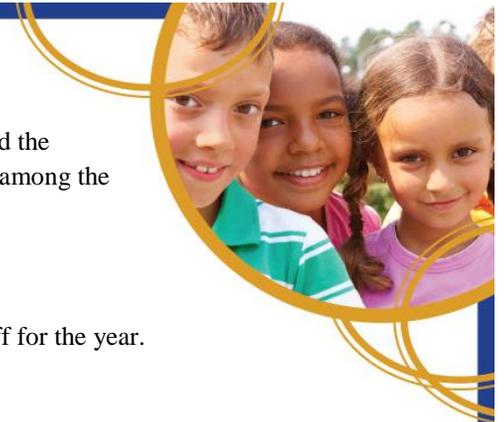
We invite parents, guardians, grandparents to eat lunch with their child and learn more about how they can get involved in our school.

### ***Parent Conference Night – October 5, 2017***

### ***Annual Title I Meeting – October 5, 2017***

We invite you to an evening of learning and sharing about our Title I program, including our parental involvement policy, the schoolwide plan, the school-parent compacts, and parents' requirements. Invitations will be mailed and posted in the school newsletter and local media.

### ***Parent Conference Night – March 8, 2018***



## Lincoln County Elementary is Branching Out!



Lincoln County Elementary will take the following measures to promote and support parents as an important foundation of the school in order to strengthen the school and reach our school goals. We will:

### Parental Involvement

Lincoln County Elementary believes that parental involvement 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.
- 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.

Lincoln County Elementary is committed to helping our parents attend the parental activities listed in this plan. Please call or email us if you need assistance with childcare or transportation in order to participate in our programs.

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- ✓ Ensure that all information related to school and parent programs, meetings, and other activities is published in both English and Spanish, posted on the school Web site, and included in the monthly school newsletter for all parents.
- ✓ Provide monthly trainings for staff during their planning periods on strategies to improve communication with parents and ideas to increase family engagement. Staff will also share best practices during regularly scheduled faculty meetings.
- ✓ Partner with Head Start and Early Reading programs by conducting joint staff meetings for parents and sending school information about parent engagement activities to help prepare parents and their child for kindergarten and improve school transition.
- ✓ Share information in English and Spanish on the school blog and in the school newsletter 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, social media, and flyers.
- ✓ Work with our parents to develop relevant trainings and helpful presentations to educate our staff on the importance of parental involvement.
- ✓ 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.
- ✓ Use our Partners in Education and School-Community Team to improve awareness of the activities and events listed in the school parental involvement policy.
- ✓ Offer literacy and computer classes for parents to help further enhance their various educational levels.
- ✓ Collect feedback from parents at all events, place input card around the building and post suggestion form on the school website in order to respond to parents' requests for additional support for parental

## Parental Involvement Standards

Lincoln County Elementary and our parents are very involved in our PTO activities 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 Community Team

Lincoln County Elementary invites all parents to join the School Community Team to share ideas and ways to involve other parents to build partnerships with school, families, and the community. The team will meet four times during the school year, but parents 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 Community Team, please contact the principal at (706) 359-3449 or complete the interest form and leave it in the Main Office.



## School Community Team

- Yes, I am interested and wish to join the School Community Team
- Please contact me so I can learn more 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 plan 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) \_\_\_\_\_

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