

## Parent and Family Engagement Plan 2023-2024

### **Chester W. Taylor Elementary School**

Each Title I school shall jointly develop with parents and family members of participating children, a written plan that shall describe how the school will carry out the requirements mentioned below. Parents shall be notified of the plan in an understandable and uniform format and, to the extent practical, provided in a language the parents can understand. The school plan must be made available to the local community and updated and agreed on by parents periodically to meet the changing needs of parents and the school.

#### School's vision for engaging families:

Principal: \_\_\_\_Julie Marks\_\_\_\_\_

CWTES is committed to a student centered environment with expectations of high quality instruction demonstrated through professionalism and integrity to create life-long learners as a collaborative community.

#### **What is Required:**

Assurances: \	We will:
	Involve an adequate representation of parents, or establish a parent advisory board to represent families, in developing and evaluating the "School Parent and Family Engagement Plan" that describes how the school will carry out its required family engagement activities.
	Hold an annual meeting for families to explain the Title I program and the rights of parents to be involved. Offer other meetings/workshops at flexible times.
	Use a portion of Title I funds to support parent and family engagement and involve parents in deciding how these funds are to be used.
$\boxtimes$	Involve parents in the planning, review, and improvement of the Title I program.
	Develop a school-parent compact that outlines how parents, students, and school staff will share the responsibility for improving student achievement and describes how parents and teachers will communicate.
	Offer assistance to parents in understanding the education system and the state standards, and how to support their children's achievement.
	Provide materials and training to help parents support their child's learning at home. Educate teachers and other school staff, including school leaders, on how to engage families effectively.
$\boxtimes$	Coordinate with other federal and state programs, including preschool programs.
	Provide information in a format and language parents can understand and offer information in other languages as feasible.

Date: \_\_\_\_\_June 20, 2023\_\_\_\_\_

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### **EVERY TITLE I SCHOOL IN PASCO COUNTY WILL:**

1. Involve parents in the planning, review, and improvement of their Comprehensive Needs Assessment and Title I program. The school will jointly develop and evaluate the Parent & Family Engagement plan with an adequate representation of parents.

Describe the method in which parents were involved	The SAC committee reviewed the previous parent survey, made revisions, and voted for approval. Parent surveys were sent via mystudent in the 2022-2023 school year. Results of the parent survey were reviewed by the SAC committee. All stakeholders were invited to attend the SAC committee meeting via email, phone call and signage. At this meeting the data was used to assess parent activities, training, and materials. Based on this analysis, members of the SAC committee and the stakeholders that attended had input on allocations of Title I funds to improve the school. The SAC committee will continue to be an integral piece of the Parent and Family Engagement Plan in the 2023-2024 school year.
Date of meeting to gather parent input for Comprehensive Needs Assessment	February 13, 2023 March 27, 2023
Date of meeting to gather parent input for this Title I Parent and Family Engagement Plan	February 13, 2023 March 27, 2023

2. Develop a school-home compact that outlines how parents, students, and school staff will share the responsibility for improving student achievement and describes how parents & teachers will communicate.

How were parents invited to develop or revise the compact?	Stakeholders were invited to the meeting via email, phone call and signage. At the meeting, the compact was reviewed, the parent friendly parent involvement plan was also reviewed and additional activities that could be added for the following year were discussed as well. At the March 27 <sup>th</sup> meeting, title one funding was discussed and input was given. At the April 10 <sup>th</sup> meeting all parent involvement information was finalized and parents had an opportunity to review the final title one plan.
Date of parent meeting to develop or revise the compact	March 27, 2023 April 10, 2023 Dates are not the same as above because the meetings were spread out to get input, revise and then bring back for final vote/input. The final meeting on April 10, 2023, was the final approval as well as reviewing of the final budget.
What communication methods will be used between teachers & parents as well as school & parents?	It is required that all teachers have a face to face conference or at least make several documented attempts to have a face to face conference by the end of quarter one. The school social worker will assist with any parent that is hard to get a hold of for teachers. Teachers decide on the days and times and have parents sign up through them.

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Elementary schools are required to hold at least one face to face conference with parents. Explain your process?	It is required that all teachers have a face to face conference or at least make several documented attempts to have a face to face conference by the end of quarter one. The school social worker will assist with any parent that is hard to get a hold of for teachers. Teachers decide on the days and times and have
	parents sign up through them.

3. Hold an annual meeting for families to explain the Title I program and the rights of parents to be involved.

What information is provided at the meeting? How are parents notified of the meeting?	Parents will receive information regarding Title I programs, curriculum, and academic assessments. Parents will also receive information regarding opportunities for involvement, decision-making for their child and home-school communication procedures. Parents are notified via letters sent home in students Wednesday folder and dates and time of the meeting are posted on the school's website, facebook page and parent newsletter that is sent via email.
Tentative date and time(s) of the Annual Title I Meeting and steps	August 31, 2023
taken to plan the meeting	
How do parents who are not able to attend receive information from the meeting?	The Title I Communication brochure will be sent out in the student's Wednesday folders for those that did not attend. The power point will also be linked in the newsletter that will be sent out via email.
How are parents informed of their rights?	District provided pamphlets informing parents of their rights are handed out at the Title I Parent Open House. In addition, parent rights are explicitly stated during the Title I Parent Meeting. There is also a letter sent home to all parents informing them of their rights. For parents not in attendance, district pamphlets are sent home in students' Wednesday folders.

4. Identify partnerships that coordinate & integrate Title I and local/federal funds to provide opportunities that encourage and support parents in more fully participating in the education of their children and/or to help support learning at home.

Title III-ESOL	ESOL IA
Title IX-Homeless	Students in Transition Teacher is on campus 2 days a week, School Social Worker is on campus 5 days a week
Preschool Programs	Headstart, VPK Inclusion, PreK VE
IDEA/ ESE	Support Facilitators, Speech Pathologists, Behavior Interventionist, ESE IAs in PreK
Migrant	
Other	

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5. Use a portion of Title I funds to support parent and family engagement and involve parents in deciding how these funds are used.

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Allocation	
Explain how these funds will be	
used this school year	Funds will be used for all of our parent involvement activities as well as paper for flyers and compacts
How are parents involved in deciding this?	Parent surveys are used to gather parent input. The SAC committee as well as the leadership team will make decisions on how to use the funds.
How did you document parent input?	Through parent surveys and SAC committee minutes.

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- 6. Provide assistance, training, workshops, events, and/or meetings for parents to help them understand the education system, curriculum, standards, state assessments and achievement levels.
  - Best practice is to hold parent events that teach caregivers a new tip, tool, or strategy, that parents can use at home with their child to help reinforce what they are learning in the classroom.
  - Think of Family Engagement as a strategy to reach the goal of student achievement
  - Offer workshops, events and/or meetings at flexible dates/times. (i.e., morning, evening, lunch, Saturdays). Provide information to parents in a timely manner and in an easy-to-read format.

		<b>Building Capacity o</b>	f Families					
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SuP goals  1. High Impact Instruction Data Driven Decisions Collaborative Culture	Title/Description of Strategy Parent Teacher Conferences	How will this impact student achievement? When parents understand how their children are doing in school, they can better support them at home. These meetings are integral to a partnership between home and school. When there is a strong relationship, student achievement improves.	When will this occur?  1 st quarter and then as needed throughout the year	Transportation	Meal	Childcare	Translation	How will this support learning at home?  Parents will be knowledgeable about their students' progress in relation to grade level standards throughout the year.

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2. Collaborative	Grandparent's Tea	Grandparents are always	September				When grandparents
Culture		welcome on our campus,	2023				are involved in the
		but this is a special day for					education, it is just an
		them to come have a little					extension of home.
		breakfast snack and read					We will give away
		with their grandchild(ren).					books for them to read
		They then have the					with their
		opportunity to walk their					grandchild(ren) to
		grandchild(ren) to class					support reading at
		and see their rooms.					home as well.
	Citizen of the Month	Students are recognized	Monthly	X		Х	This is special for both
		for their academic and	starting in				the students and the
		behavior achievements.	August				families.
3. Data Driven	FAST Info. Night	Parents will be invited in	Spring 24	х			It is important that
Decisions		the learn more about their					parents understand
		child's end of year results					how to read the
		as well as their beginning					reports they get from
		of the year results and					the school regarding
		how to use them to					their child's progress.
		support them at home as					When they are
		well. We will also show					involved in
		parents what they can use					understanding the
		at home to enhance their					reports, they can help
		learning here at school.					their child more easily.

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4. High Impact Instruction	Curriculum Night	Trick or Treat for Curriculum- this night	October 2023		X	Students and parents can participate in
		gives parents an				curriculum building
		opportunity to participate				activities while also
		in a variety of math and				having fun. Parents
		science-based activities.				will be able to take
		They will take home				items home to support
		goodies to support				learning at home.
		learning at home as well.				
		When parents understand				
		how to use some of the				
		manipulatives and science				
		activities we use in school,				
		it will increase student				
		achievement.				

Explain how parents are provided information regarding the curriculum, achievement levels, progress monitoring and assessments.	Parent invitations are sent home in student's Wednesday folders. Information regarding events are posted on the school's webpage, school connects are made for event reminders. Additionally, classroom teachers send reminders via the class communication process. Parents with students on a progress monitoring plan receive an email monthly documenting their progress. All the information is also shared at the Annual Title One Meeting in August.
How will workshops/events be evaluated? How will the needs of parents be assessed to plan future events?	Workshops and events will be evaluated through parent and staff surveys will be used to assess the needs of parents for upcoming events. We also track attendance of events to see what is attended the most.
Describe how the needs of parents/families who speak a language other than English will be met at workshops/events.	Every effort will be made to have a staff member who can translate for parents. Some of the resources are available in the family's native language.
What are the barriers for parents to attend workshops/events and how do you overcome these?	Barriers include parents being unaware of workshop and events, even though we plan ahead and communication is sent out well in advance with reminders. Another barrier is the time the workshop or activity is conducted. To overcome these barriers, we will increase our family communication by utilizing school connects phone calls and email, in addition to the students' Wednesday folders, and school website. To overcome time barriers, we will conduct activities at various times, before school, during school, and after school.

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How are flexible dates and times for meetings, events and/or workshops offered? (Give examples)	Events are scheduled throughout the year, before, during and after school.
How are the needs of parents with disabilities accommodated to ensure they have access to meetings, workshops, and/or events?	For all events, multiple volunteers are present to assist disabled parents.

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#### 7. Utilize strategies to ensure meaningful Communication

Describe the methods that will be used to ensure	SchoolConnects, social media, phone calls, Wednesday folder		
meaningful, ongoing communication between home and	communications, and parent conferences. We also started emailing our		
school	parents a newsletter this past year which seems to have been a good		
	thing. We also used class dojo to connect with our families, however, we		
	will not be able to use it this coming year and will be using myStudent.		

8. Educate and build the capacity of school staff on ways in which to work with and engage families effectively as well as the importance of parent engagement in increasing student achievement. Explain your plan for this school year.

Topic/Title	How does this help staff build school/parent relationships?	Format for Implementation: workshop, book study, presenter, etc.	Who is the audience?	Tentative Date/Time
Parent Conferences	Staff receive professional development on best practices in parent conferences, including initial contact, avoiding educational speak, and making personal connections with the parents. The goal is to make parents feel welcome at the school, provide support for their students' learning, and develop a communication line for the school year.  *New teachers will get on-going support with parent conferences as needed.	Presentation	Teachers	August 2023

9. Provide an easily accessible resource area where parents and families can get information about the school facility, school policies, contacts, academic assistance, community resources and other materials.

Location of Resource Center/Area	Person responsible for monitoring and updating Resource <u>Center/Area</u>	List a sampling of materials made available in the Resource Center/Area
Front Office	Front Office Secretary	SAC pamphlet, Title I pamphlet, nutritional information, health care information, School Improvement Plan, Head start/Early Head start pamphlet, Section 504 pamphlet,

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		before/after school care applications, CWTES Family Involvement pamphlet. We also have clothes, personal hygiene needs, socks and shoes to give to students.
Principal:	Date:	

### **Drafts of PFEP's are due in Title I Crate by April 14th, 2023.**

\*PFEP Copies should be placed on the school website as well as in the Title I Family and Community Binder in the front office for parent and community access. Information regarding where the plan may be accessed should be communicated to parents and the community. A "Family Friendly" version of this plan should be distributed to families.

<sup>1</sup> (7/21/22)