# Joseph E. Huie Elementary School Parent and Family Engagement Policy For Shared Students Success

2017-2018 School Year



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#### What is Title I?

Huie Elementary is identified as a Title I school in accordance with the Every Student Succeeds Act (ESSA) of 2015. Title I is designed to support State and local school reform efforts tied to challenging State academic standards in order to 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.



# **Parent and Family Engagement Plan for Shared Student Achievement**

#### What is it?

Our Title I- Parent and Family Engagement Plan is jointly developed with parents giving their input. This is a plan that describes how Huie Elementary will provide opportunities to improve parent engagement to support student learning. Huie Elementary values the contributions and involvement of parents in order to establish an equal partnership for the common goal of improving student achievement through the development and implementation of the most effective Parental Involvement Policy. This policy focuses on what parents would like to see during the school year and a logical way to keep parental involvement high.

#### How is it revised?

Huie Elementary School invited all parents to attend our Title I Parental involvement input meetings last spring to review and revise this parental involvement policy, as well as our school-parent compact, and the parental involvement 1% budget. Additionally, parent input and comments regarding this plan are welcome throughout the school year. The plan is posted on our school website for parents to view and submit feedback throughout the year. We also distribute an annual survey and 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. Huie Elementary School welcomes parent inputs and comments at any time regarding the plan.

#### 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. Huie Elementary will provide full opportunity for the participation of parents with limited English, parents with disabilities, ESOL, Pre-K, Homeless Education, and parents of migratory children.

#### Where is it available?

At the beginning of the year, the policy is sent home with each student. The policy is posted on the school's website. Parents can also retrieve a copy of the policy in the Parent Resource Center and in the schools front office at any time.

#### 2017-2018 District Goals

- ➤ To increase academic achievement for all students in Clayton County Public Schools as evidenced by state, national and international assessment results
- ➤ To provide and maintain a safe, orderly and secure learning environment
- To create an environment that promotes active engagement, accountability, and collaboration of all stakeholders to maximize student achievement
- > To effectively communicate the system's vision and purpose and allow stakeholder involvement in an effort to build understanding and support
- ➤ To provide high quality support services delivered on time and within budget to promote student academic success in the Clayton County Public Schools
- > To recruit and retain highly qualified and effective staff

#### 2017-18 Huie Elementary School Goals

- > Increase student achievement in Reading for all students by 5%
- ➤ Increase student achievement in Math for all students by 5%

# **School-Parent Compacts**

As part of this plan, Huie Elementary and our families will develop a school-parent compact, which is an agreement that parents, teachers, and students will develop together 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 compact revision meeting. The school-parent compacts are sent home with all students after revisions are made and a copy is posted on the school website and in the parent resource center.

#### **Parental Involvement Plan and Activities**

Huie 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:

### Annual Title I Meeting: August 24, 2017

✓ Learn about Title I program including our parent involvement policy, the school-parent compacts, the school wide plan, and the parents' requirements. Invitations will be send home with students, posted on the school website, school announcement letter and Parent Resource Center.

# Curriculum Night September 14, 2017

- ✓ Meet your child's teacher and our friendly and helpful school staff for the year
- ✓ Curriculum night is held by grade level and gives the teachers an opportunity to explain student's academic and curriculum objectives for the school year.

# Math Night TBA

✓ Learn how to make math fun at home

#### Parent-Teacher Conferences TBA

✓ Scheduled updates on your child's progress

# Thanksgiving Luncheon November 2017

Parents will have the opportunity to eat lunch with students during our holiday luncheon.

# Bring Your Parents to School day TBA

✓ Join your student in their classroom and experience a typical day of learning at Huie

# Real Men Read/Career Day Activities March 2018

✓ Parents and community leaders will have the opportunity to sign up to read to our students during read across America and career day.

# Parent Workshops: September2017-April 2018

✓ Help your child learn at home by attending monthly workshops offered in the Parent Resource Center (detailed information will be sent home through monthly calendars)

# Parent Recognition: April 2018

Parents who have attended all the parent workshops throughout the school year will be honored in a county wide celebration at the Performing Arts Center.

# Literacy Night TBA

#### **Parent Resource Center**

Come visit the Parent Resource Center (Room 166) 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 8:30 am-3:30 pm

#### **Parental Involvement**

Huie Elementary believes that parent involvement means the participation of parents in regular two-way and meaningful communication regarding student academic learning and other school activities, the collaboration with parents to inform teacher and staff members on how to reach, communicate and partner with parents 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.
- The carrying out of other activities as described in this plan.

Parents will be encouraged to monitor their child's progress and work in partnership with our staff to improve the achievement of their children through volunteering in the classrooms, contacting the school with questions or comments, attending meetings and workshops, and working with their child at home. Student progress will be monitored and shared with parents through parent conferences, report cards, progress reports, phone calls, emails, agendas, and Infinite Campus (Online Grades)

Huie Elementary is committed to helping our parents participate in the parental activities listed in this plan. Please call or email us if you need assistance.

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# **School Measures to Provide Required Assistance**

Huie 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:

- ✓ Ensure that all information related to school and parent programs, meetings, and other activities is published in an understandable format, and to the extent practicable in a language the parents can understand, and posted on the school website and included in the monthly school calendar/newsletter for all parents.
- Report the results of the annual school review (CCRPI Status) to parents at the beginning of the school year. Information on school performance is available on the school's website, and sent home annually with students.
- ✓ Make sure parents receive a copy of their child's assessment results whenever a national, state, or district level assessment is given. A parent report explanation guide is provided with the national and state assessment so parents can understand the meaning of the results. Every effort is made to provide parents with conference time to share the results and answer questions.
- ✓ Make sure every effort is made to explain assessment used to measure student's progress and the proficiency levels in which the students are expected to meet will be explained at curriculum night and reviewed during parent/teacher conferences. An explanation of the Georgia Milestones Assessment System, and K-2 DIBELS, etc. will be provided to parents along with the state's content and student performance standards (GPS) throughout the school year.
- ✓ The school will handle responses to parent questions, concerns and suggestions in a timely manner via telephone calls, notes, emails and conferences. Interpreters will be provided as needed.
- ✓ Communicate with all families and the community on a regular basis regarding schoolwide events and activities, such as phone messages, the school website, school marquee, 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.
- ✓ Throughout the school year the school will provide training and materials for parent to help parents work with their children to improve student achievement. Materials and instructional resources will be available in the parent resource center.
- ✓ Collaborate with community leaders and business groups to increase participation and awareness of the school parental involvement plan and activities.
- ✓ Provide parent classes to help further enhance their various education backgrounds.
- ✓ Listen and respond to parents' requests for additional support for parental involvement activities.







# **Parent Involvement Standards**

Huie Elementary and our parents have adopted the National PTA 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

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# Huie Elementary School Parent Comments Share Your Thoughts

We want to hear from you. If you have any suggestions or if there is any part of this Parental Involvement Plan that you feel is not satisfactory with the student's and the school's goals for academic achievement, please provide us with your comments in the space provided and return this form to Mrs. Ware, Parent Liaison.

Parent Name:	_
Student Name:	_
Teacher Name:	<u></u>
Telephone Number:	
Date:	
Comments:	



