Barton Chapel Elementary School

Parent and Family Engagement Policy and Plan for Shared Student Success

2024-2025 School Year

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## What is Title I?

Barton Chapel Elementary 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 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 Barton Chapel Elementary will provide opportunities to improve parent engagement in an effort to support student learning. Barton Chapel 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 Barton Chapel Elementary will support parent engagement and how parents can hel plan and participate in activities and events to promote student learning at school and at home.

## How is it revised?

Barton Chapel Elementary School invited all parents to attend an input/revision meeting at the end of the 2023-2024 school year to review and revise this parent and family engagement policy, as well as the school-wide plan, our school-parent compact and the parental involvement budget. Additionally, parent input and comments regarding this plan are welcome during the school year. 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 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. Barton Chapel Elementary will provide full opportunity for the participation of parents with limited English, parents of students with disabilities, and parents of migratory children.

## Where is it available?

At the beginning of the year, the plan is shared with parents at the annual meeting. The plan will also be posted on the school web site. Parents can also retrieve a copy of the plan in the Parent Resource Center.

#### 2024-2025 District Goals

#### Student Achievement and Success

1. During the 24-25 school year, we will increase student content mastery in tested subject areas on the Georgia Milestones by 5%.

2. During the 24-25 school year, we will increase the number of highly effective teachers and leaders retained in RCSS by 3%.

#### **High Performing Workforce**

3. During the 24-25 school year, we will increase post-high school readiness by increasing our graduation rate from 81% to 83%.

#### 2024-2025 District Goals

#### **School Goals/Focus Areas**

**Goal 1** – (ELA) By the end of the 2024-2025 school year, Barton Chapel will increase the overall placement score in ELA by 20% in grades K-5 from 38% to 58% as measured by the i-Ready assessment.

**Goal 2** – (MATH) By the end of the 2024-2025 school year, Barton Chapel will increase the overall placement score in ELA by 20% in grades K-5 from 17% to 37% as measured by the i-Ready assessment.

**Goal 3** – (CLIMATE) By the end of the 2024-2025 school year, Barton Chapel Elementary school will decrease the number of major and minor office referrals by 20% from 197 behavior incidences to 157 behavior incidences as measured by Infinite



## Let's Get Together!

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

## Please join us!

- Open House August 1, 2024
- Tears and Cheers- August 5, 2024
- Annual Title I Meeting September 26, 2024
- Parent-Teacher Conferences (Fall) September 16, 2024 October 11, 2024 (Spring) February 18, 2025 March 14, 2025
- Student Report Cards- January 14, 2025, and May 28, 2025
- **Student Progress Reports-** information may be accessed through Parent Portal, under the "Parent" tab on our school website.
- **Parent Workshops:** Monthly Volunteer Training TBA
- Trunk or Treat- October 2024
- Winter Holiday Program- December 2024
- Muffins for Moms, Donuts for Dads, & Goodies for Grands-During Scholastic Book Fall 2024 & Spring 2025
- Family Game Night- January 2025
- Math Night- March 2025
- Literacy Night- April 2025

### Parents are always welcome!

Please call the school to schedule an appointment with staff at (706)-796-4955.

These events and any additional future events will be posted on the school's website and announced through take home flyers, emails, text messages, phone calls, school marquee, and voice messenger.

#### **School-Parent Compacts**

As part of this plan, Barton Chapel 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 gradelevel standards. The compacts will be reviewed and updated annually based on feedback from parents, students and teachers during the parent involvement event and the input/revision meeting. The school-parent compacts are kept with each child's teacher if parents need a copy.

## **Parental Involvement**

Barton Chapel 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.
- The carrying out of other activities as described in this plan.

# **Barton Chapel Elementary is Branching Out!**

Barton Chapel 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:

- ✓ Provide parents information in a timely manner about Title I and the rights of parents to be involved. Provide written notice to all parents in regards to their right to know the qualifications of their child's teacher and/or paraprofessionals.
- ✓ Share information at parent meetings 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 school-wide events and activities through phone calls, letters, ShoutPoint messaging system, texts, email, flyers and post events on the website and marquee to invite all parents to meetings and encourage them to attend.
- ✓ 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 to include the school-parent compact for parents at conferences, meetings, and activities to help parents work with their child to improve their child's achievement.
  - ✓ Collect feedback from parents at all events, especially input/revision meeting and surveys, in order to respond to parents' requests for additional support for parental involvement activities.

#### **Parent Resource Center**

Come visit the 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, 8:30 am - 3:00 pm

Barton Chapel Elementary is committed to helping our parents participate in the parental activities listed in this plan.

Please call Corinna Walker at (706) 796-4955 ext. 1446 if you have any questions or concerns regarding attending meetings.

#### **ALL means ALL**





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 below and leave this form in the Main Office: or return it to the Title I Office at RCBOE, 864 Broad Street.

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