

W.S.Hornsby 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?

W.S. Hornsby Elementary is identified as a Title I school as part of Every Student Succeeds Act (ESSA). Title I is designed to support State and local school reform efforts tied to the 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 parents and family members a written parent and family engagement policy.



School Plan for Shared Student Achievement

What is it?

This is a plan that describes how W.S Hornsby Elementary will provide opportunities to improve family engagement to support student learning.

W.S Hornsby Elementary values the contributions and involvement 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 W.S. Hornsby Elementary 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 revised?

W.S. Hornsby Elementary School invited all parents to attend our annual School Forum last spring to review and revise this parent and family engagement policy, as well as the schoolwide plan, our school-parent compact, and the family engagement budget. 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 website 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 school webpage to ask parents for their suggestions on the plan and the use of funds for family engagement. Parents and family members can also give feedback during several parent meetings and activities during the school year including our annual Community Cares event.

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. W.S. Hornsby Elementary will provide full opportunity for the participation of parents and family members with limited English, with disabilities, and migratory children.

Where is it available?

At the start of the year, the plan is included in the student handbook given to all students. The plan will be posted on the school website and social media. Parents can also retrieve a copy of the plan in the Parent Resource Center

2024-2025 District Goals

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

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

Goal #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 School Goals

Goal 1: Increase the number of students in third, fourth, and fifth grades who are proficient or above in reading by 5 percentile points as measured by the Georgia Milestones EOG assessment.

Goal 2: Increase the number of students in third, fourth, and fifth grades who are proficient or above in math by 5 percentile points as measured by the Georgia Milestones EOG assessment.

Goal 3: By the end of the 2024-2025 school year, improve school climate by increasing student attendance by 5%, reducing behavior incidents by 10% and implementing SEL program with 90% of students participating in SEL activities, as measured by attendance records, behavior incident reports, and SEL program participation logs.

School-Parent Compacts

As part of this plan, W.S. Hornsby 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.



Let us Get Together!

W.S. Hornsby Elementary will host the following events to build the capacity for strong family engagement to support a partnership among the school, parents, and the community to improve student academic achievement.

Open House –08/01/24

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

Annual Title I Meeting – September 19, 2024

We invite you to an evening of learning and sharing about our Title I program, including our parent and family engagement policy, the schoolwide plan, the school-parent compacts, and parents' requirements.

October Parent Meeting (Math) - TBA

Learn about how to help your student with academics and learn about helpful resources.

November Parent Meeting (ELA) - TBA

Learn about how to help your student with academics and learn about helpful resources.

December Parent Meeting (Book Give Away) – TBA

Come and learn about how to help your student with academics and learn about helpful resources.

January Parent Meeting (STEAM) - TBA

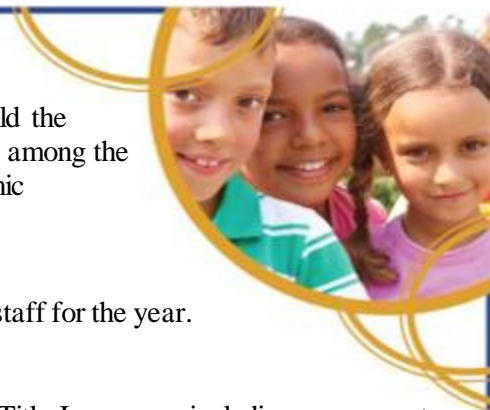
Learn about how to help your student with academics and learn about helpful resources.

February Parent Meeting (Black History) – TBA

Learn about how to help your student with academics and learn about helpful resources.

March Title I Parent Meeting—TBA

A forum for parents and family members to participate in roundtable discussions with the principal and staff regarding the schoolwide plan, parent and family engagement policy, school-parent compacts, and the family engagement budget.



Parent Success Center

Come visit the Parent Success 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.. The Parent Resource Center is located in the media center. The hours of operation are 10:00am-1:00p.m.

Parent and Family Engagement

W.S. Hornsby Elementary believes that family engagement means the participation of parents and family members 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 learning.
- 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.

W.S.Hornsby Elementary is committed to helping our parents and families attend the family activities listed in this policy. Please call or email us if you need help with childcare or transportation to participate in our programs.

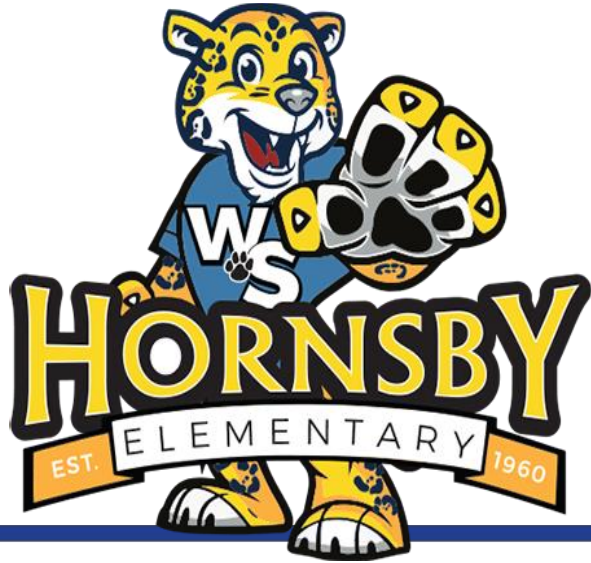
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W.S. Hornsby is Branching Out!

W.S. Hornsby Elementary will take the following measures to promote and support parents and family members 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 regard to the identification of WSHS as a Title I School Improvement School.
- ✓ Share information on the school website 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.
- ✓ Communicate with all families and the community on a regular basis regarding school-wide events and activities, through phone messages, school website, and flyers.
- ✓ Works with our parents to develop relevant training 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.
- ✓ Collect feedback from parents at all events in order to respond to parents' requests for additional support for parental involvement activities





Find out more about our school on
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