

Jamestown Elementary School

*Parental Involvement Policy and Plan for
Shared Student Success
2020-2021*



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What is Title I?

Jamestown 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 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 members a written parent and family engagement policy.

School Plan for Shared Student Achievement

What is it?

This plan describes how Jamestown Elementary will provide opportunities to improve parent engagement and support student learning. Jamestown Elementary believes that parent involvement means the participation of parents in regular two-way and meaningful communication involving student academic learning and other school activities. We value 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 Jamestown Elementary will support parent engagement and how parents can help plan and participate in activities and events to promote student learning at school and home.

How is it revised?

Jamestown Elementary invites parents to the Annual EOY Title I meeting. At which time, parents are asked to share input and revise the current policy. Additionally, parent input and comments regarding this policy and plan is welcomed throughout the school year. This plan, along with the compact, survey, and police are on the school's website. Input/Feedback sheets are available on the parent table located in the entrance of the school. The school will submit any parent comments to the district if they do not find the plan satisfactory.



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. Jamestown 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?

In the Fall of the year, the revised plan is sent home with each student, given at Open House, Title 1 Annual Meeting and parent conferences. The plan is available on the school's website, in the office. Parents can also obtain a copy from the Parent Resource Center.

2020-2021 District Goals

*During the 2020- 2021school year, RCSS will increase the number of highly effective teachers and leaders hired and retained by RCSSS by 3% to impact academic achievement through all content areas.

*During the 2020-2021 school year, RCSS will identify, integrate, and expand technology access for 60% of the student population in all Richmond County Schools and provide professional learning options that engages the staff in improving their digital learning knowledge which will improve student achievement based on the district strategic goals.

2020-2021 School Goals

Objective 1: Increase the number of students reading at or above grade level for the 2020-21 school year GMAS by 10% from 56 % to 66%

- Accelerated Reader for differentiation to build Lexile reading levels
- AVID Weekly Reader (Close Reading Strategy.
- Daily conferring with strategy readers using Serravallo
- Using thinking maps (3-5)
- Benchmark Literacy

Objective 2: Increase the number of students in fourth grade proficient in GMAS mathematics by 10% by the end of May 2021 GMAS, from 52.6% to 62.6 %.

- All mathematics teachers will implement differentiation math , and mathematical reasoning using Freckle Math software. This software program is designed to use a variety of practice modes so students can learn in different way from hands on exploration to individual assignments. - All teacher will implement Mathematics Academy of Teaching Excellence (Year 3) with questioning strategies, student engagement and content knowledge
- Interventions should include instruction on solving word problems that is based on common underlying structures. (rigor through problem solving) Freckle Math

Calendar of Events!



August

NO School

September

Open House (F2F and Virtual)

October

RC Marshals Volunteer readers

Popcorn & a Movie

Annual Title 1 Parent Meeting

Virtual Parent/Teacher Conferences

November

School Council Meeting

Infinite Campus Training (on webpage)

Curriculum Night (on webpage)

December

School Council Meeting

Christmas Assembly (on webpage)

Parent-Volunteer Training

January *

Parent Workshop: “Mid-Year ELA & Math Success”

Community Involvement: Volunteers Readers

February *

Black History Program

Parent-Volunteer Training

March *

Community Involvement “Read Across America”

Parental Engagement: Parent Book Parade

Title 1 Workshop on GA Milestones Book Fair

April *

School Council Meeting

Parent Workshop: “Education Game Night”

May *

Honor’s Programs

Parent Awards Day

Parental & Community Involvement Day

Annual Title 1 EOY Meeting

* In the event that there is still a pandemic, we must adhere to the CDC guidelines and these meetings and trainings will be virtual.

Jamestown Elementary is Branching Out!

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

Parental Involvement

Jamestown 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:

- Parents play an integral role in assisting their child's learning.
- Parents are encouraged to be actively involved in their child's education at school.
- 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.

Jamestown 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:

- Communicate with parents on a weekly basis and respond to parental concerns within 48 hours of contact
- Keep parents informed about their child's academic progress and changes in behavior
- Send home daily or weekly homework assignments
- Develop reading/math goals based on state assessments and assist students in reaching them
- 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
- Communicate with all families and the community on a regular basis regarding school-wide events and activities. Workshops will be offered at various times.
- Work with our parents to develop relevant trainings to help understand the curriculum 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 Council to improve awareness of the activities and events listed in the school parental involvement policy
- Offer workshops 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 involvement activities

Methods of Communication that Jamestown will use:

- Canvas app
- Class Dojo
- Bloomz
- School & Class Newsletter
- Phone/text message/email
- School website
- Flyers
- Posted videos of Parent Workshops (website)



Jamestown

Motto:
"Armored in Excellence"

Vision:
The vision of Jamestown Elementary School is that all students are special and filled with potential.

Mission:
The Mission of Jamestown Elementary School is to provide effective and timeless instruction, on a daily basis, in a supportive environment, that is conducive to learning and to excellence!

Pledge
I will act in a way that I will be proud of myself and others will be proud of me too.
I come to school to learn and I will learn.
I will have a good day.
For, I am special.
Filled with potential and armored in excellence.

School-Parent Compact

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As part of this plan, Jamestown 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 Annual Title I EOY meeting, Title I Parent Trainings over the school-parent compact, policy and survey, and Input and Revision meetings. The school-parent compacts are sent home, posted on the school's website, and available in the Parent Resource Center.



School Community Team

Jamestown Elementary invites all parents to join the School Community 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 706.796.4760.

