

Lake Forest Hills Elementary School

Parent and Family Engagement Policy and Plan for Shared Student Success

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What is Title I?

Lake Forest Hills 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 Lake Forest Hills Elementary will provide opportunities to improve family engagement to support student learning. Lake Forest Hills 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 Lake Forest 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?

Lake Forest Hills Elementary School invited all parents to attend our annual Input/Revision meeting 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 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. If the plan is not satisfactory to the parents of participating children, the school will submit any comments to the district office.

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. Lake Forest Hills Elementary will provide full opportunity for the participation of parents and family members with limited English, with disabilities, and of migratory children.

Where is it available?

At the beginning of the year, the Richmond County Parent and Family Engagement Plan is included in the student code of conduct book that is given to all students. The LFH Parent and Family Engagement Plan will also be posted on the school website and distributed at the Title I A Annual Meeting. Parents can also retrieve a copy of the plan in the Parent Resource Center.

2025-2025 District Goals

During the 2025-2026 school year, we will increase student content mastery in tested subject areas on the Georgia Milestones Assessments by 6%.

During the 2025-2026 school year, we will increase post high school readiness by increasing our graduation rate by 2%.

During the 2025-2026 school year, we will increase teacher and support staff retention by 3% through consistent meaningful employee feedback and evaluations.

2025-2025 LFH Goals

By June 2026, 100% of students will demonstrate academic growth in reading and math as measured by iReady with at least 85% meeting or exceeding typical growth goals.

Students in grades 3-5 will demonstrate proficiency or higher in ELA (51%), Math (50%), and Science (41%) on Spring EOG.

Student perception survey results will show that at least 95% of students report feeling safe, respected, and supported at school, as measured by Panorama and student surveys.

100% of staff will participate in at least two professional learning opportunities focused on instructional improvement and leadership. At least 50% of students will engage in leadership opportunities.

Increase stakeholder involvement by increasing community partnerships by 25% as measured by PTO membership/ sponsorships, School Council, and volunteers.

Increase family participation by offering a variety ways to engage in our school community such as curriculum nights, student-led conferences, and feedback surveys.



SCHOOL-PARENT COMPACTS

As part of this plan, Lake Forest Hills Elementary and our families have developed a school-parent compact, which is an agreement that parents, teachers, and students will implement that explains how parents and teachers will work together to make sure all our students reach grade level standards.

The compact will be reviewed and updated annually based on feedback from parents, students, teachers and all other stakeholders. The school-parent compacts are shared with parents during Open House, Title I Annual Meeting, during parent-teacher conferences, in the school office, and in the Parent Resource Center.

Parent Resource Center

Visit our 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, 8:00am-1:00 pm



WE ARE LFH!



LFH is committed to partnering with our families and our community!

Lake Forest Hills Elementary will take the following measures to promote and support parents and family members as an important foundation of the school 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 language and posted on the school website.
- ✓ Provide trainings for staff on strategies to improve communication with parents and ideas
- ✓ to increase family engagement with reading and math activities for our students outside of the classroom. Staff will also share best practices during regularly scheduled faculty meetings.
- ✓ Partner with early childhood programs, middle schools, college and career ready resources or organizations, parent resource centers, or other programs (as applicable) to help prepare parents and their children for successful school transitioning.
- ✓ Share information for parents to understand the school's curriculum, academic standards and assessments as well as the ways parents can monitor their child's progress and work with educators. Provide parents with individual student assessment results and interpretation of those results.
- ✓ Communicate with all families and the community on a regular basis regarding schoolwide events and activities, through phone messages, the school website, and flyers.
- ✓ Work with our parents to develop relevant trainings and helpful presentations to educate our staff on the importance of parent and family engagement and how to support student learning.
- ✓ 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. These meetings will be offered at various times (morning and evening) and in various formats.
- ✓ Offer Infinite Campus account set up and assistance with usage for parents and family members to monitor their student's progress.
- ✓ Collect feedback from parents and family members at all events and post a survey on the school website to respond to parents' requests for additional support for parent and family engagement activities.



Parent and Family Engagement

Lake Forest Hills 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 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.

Lake Forest Hills is committed to helping our parents and families attend the family activities listed in this policy. Please call or email us if you need assistance with childcare or transportation to participate in our programs.

Parent and Family Engagement

Our PTO helps enrich every student's experience by fundraising for important resources and organizing events that bring together families, students, and the community. Our School Council supports shared decision-making and meets four times a year to discuss school-wide initiatives. We welcome ideas and feedback from all families at any time—through meetings, surveys, conversations with administration, and our website. Together, we make a difference.

Click [**HERE**](#) to share your thoughts and/or volunteer!



LET'S GET TOGETHER!

Lake Forest Hills 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. Meetings for parents and family members will be held at various times (morning, afternoon and evenings).

Back to School Kick-off/Open House --- At this event you can meet your child's teacher and our friendly and helpful school staff for the school year.

Annual Title I Meeting - 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. Invitations will be emailed and posted in the school newsletter, social media, and local media.

Parent-Teacher and Student Conferences - Scheduled updates on your child's progress.

Family and Community events - GrandFriends Day, Student of the Month, Trunk or Treat, Veteran's Day, Dolphin Dash, Thanksgiving meal, Holiday Joy Night, Butterfly Ball, Son+Fun One event, cultural celebrations, Spirit Nights at local restaurants, STEAM auction, Field Days, Honors Day, and more.

Student-Led Conferences - A conference allowing your child to explain their learning, learning goals, and progress.

Curriculum, Assessment, and/or Fine Arts Nights - Participate in content specific activities, learn more about how your child is assessed by various measures, enjoy your child's growth in the fine arts.

Input and Revision Meeting - 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.