

East Jackson High School

Parental Involvement Policy and Plan for Shared Student Success

2019-2020 School Year

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What is Title I?

East Jackson Comprehensive High School is identified as a Title I school as part of the Elementary and Secondary Education Act of 1965 (ESEA). 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.

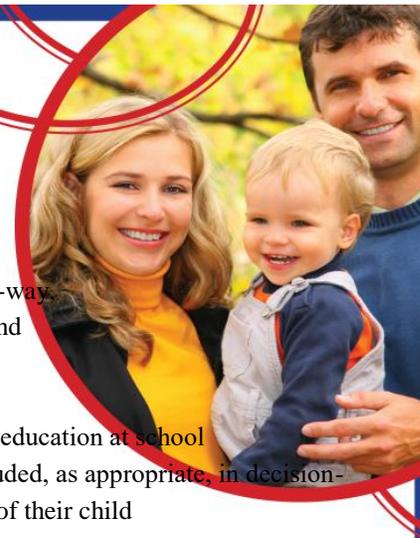


School Plan for Shared Student Achievement

What is it?

Parental involvement means the participation of parents in regular, two-way, and meaningful communication involving student academic learning and other school activities, including ensuring:

- (A) Parents play an integral role in assisting their child's learning
- (B) Parents are encouraged to be actively involved in their child's education at school
- (C) 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



How is it revised?

East Jackson Comprehensive High invites all parents to attend our annual School Forum, September 18th, at 6pm, to review and revise this parental involvement policy, as well as the schoolwide plan, our school-parent compact and the parental involvement budget. Additionally, parent input and comments regarding this plan are welcome during the school year through by emailing Julie Crouch at jcrouch@jcss.us, the EJCHS Family Engagement Coordinator. 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 online and by mail 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 including our annual Title I meeting each fall.

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. East Jackson Comprehensive High School will provide full opportunity for the participation of parents with limited English, parents with disabilities, and parents of migratory children.

Where is it available?

At the beginning of the year, the plan is dispersed to all students. As a reminder, we will e-mail the plan to all parents in September before the scheduled Open House event. 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 or ask for a mailed copy by contacting the Parent Involvement Coordinator.

2019–20 District Goals

1. Provide all students with quality academic experience
2. Individualize the student learning experience
3. Prepare students for the future
4. Allocate resources to district goals
5. Value and promote school, parent, and community partnerships and relationships.

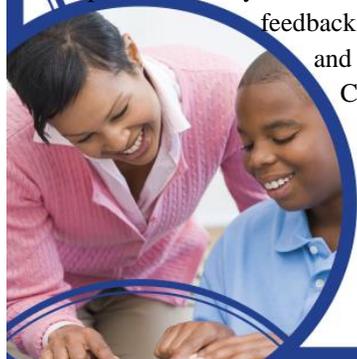
2019–20 School Goals

EJCHS will improve numeracy and literacy by 15% over the next three years per the Strategic Waiver Agreement with the Ga DOE. This will be achieved through weekly departmental collaboration and data analysis. Improvement will be measured by EOC data, End of Pathway assessments, AP scores, course pass rates, SAT/ACT scores, and SRI data.

School-Parent Compacts

As part of this plan, East Jackson Comprehensive High School 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. The school-parent compacts are kept with each child's teacher if parents need a copy.



Let's Get Together!

East Jackson Comprehensive High School will host or participate in 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. All meetings for parents will be held twice during the day in the morning before school and in the evening at 6:00 pm.

Annual Title I Meeting – September 25th at 5:30pm and September 26th at 7:30am

We invite you to an evening of learning and sharing about our Title I program, including our parental involvement policy, the schoolwide plan, the school-parent compacts, and parents' requirements. Invitations will be mailed and posted in the school newsletter and local media.

Open House – September 25th, 2019

Meet your child's teachers and our professional school support staff for the year.

Financial Aid Night- TBA in the Fall

Learn helpful information to prepare for your student for post- secondary success with the help of Georgia Student Financial Aid Commission and Mr. Hal Wilkinson.

College and Career Fair sponsored by the Jackson County Chamber of Commerce

Location Time TBA

Students and parents are invited to explore post-secondary opportunities available to them in our community.

Jackson County PROBE Fair TBA at EJCHS, 8:30am-10:30am

Students and parents are invited to explore post-secondary opportunities available to them in our community.

Literacy and Lattes

A community session and discussion with an emphasis on literacy in our classrooms and homes.

Financial Aid and FASFA Help Sessions- November and February

Representatives from Georgia Student Finance Commission will hold session at EJCSH to help with financial aid application for our senior class.

Advisement Night- January 16th, 2020

Parents and guardians are invited to help select and plan for their student's future in choosing classes and career pathways.

Math and Muffins- March 2020

A community discussion on math sequencing and curriculum at EJCHS.

Parent Appreciation Breakfast- May 2020

An event in appreciation of our parents and our constant support of our students and staff.

School Forum – May 2020

An open forum for parents to participate in roundtable discussions with the principal and staff regarding the schoolwide plan, parental involvement policy, school-parent compacts and the parental involvement budget.



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, 7:30 am – 3:30 pm and by appointment after school

Parental Involvement

East Jackson Comprehensive High School 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.

East Jackson Comprehensive High School is committed to helping our parents attend the parental activities listed in this plan. Please contact the school if you need assistance with any of our program offerings.

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East Jackson Comprehensive High School is Soaring Above the Rest!

East Jackson Comprehensive High School 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 both English and Spanish, posted on the school Web site, and included in the monthly school newsletter for all parents.
- ✓ 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.
- ✓ Share information in English and Spanish on the school blog 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 schoolwide events and activities, through phone messages, Facebook, Twitter, IC messenger, and flyers.
- ✓ 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 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-Community Team to improve awareness of the activities and events listed in the school parental involvement policy.
- ✓ Offer literacy and computer classes 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.



Parental Involvement Standards

East Jackson Comprehensive High School 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

School Community Team

East Jackson Comprehensive High School invites all parents to join the School Community Team 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)336-8900 or complete the interest form and leave it in the Main Office.



School Community Team

- Yes, I am interested and wish to join the School Community Team
- Please contact me so I can learn more joining the School Community Team
- Please send me notifications about future meetings and updates

Name: _____

Child's Name and Grade: _____

Address: _____

Phone Number: _____

Email address: _____

Share Your Thoughts

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 and leave this form in the Main Office:

Name: (optional) _____

Telephone Number: (optional) _____

