

## **Oak Hill Middle School**

**“Our Goal is Excellence”**

*Parental Involvement Policy and Plan for Shared  
Student Success*

*2018-2019*

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### **What is Title I?**

Oak Hill Middle School, as well as Baldwin County School District, is identified as a Title I School/District 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 as we 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 OHMS will provide opportunities to improve parent engagement in order to support student learning. OHMS 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 OHMS will support parent engagement and how parents can help plan and participate in activities to promote student learning both at school and home.

### **How is it revised?**

OHMS will invite all parents to attend our annual School Forum at the end of the school year 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 by contacting our Parent Involvement specialist, Shameka Walker. The plan is posted on our school website for parents to view and submit feedback throughout the year. Feedback received during the year will be used to review the plan as we make adjustments for the next school year. We also distribute an annual survey online and ask parents for their suggestions on the plan and the use of funds for parental involvement. Parents can also give feedback during each activity 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. OHMS will provide full opportunity for the participation of parents with limited English abilities, parents with disabilities, and parents of migratory children.

### **Where is it available?**

At the beginning of the year, the plan is distributed to all students. The plan will also be posted on the school website. Parents may request a copy of the plan in the front office of the school.

### **2018-2019 District Goals**

All students will reach high standards at a minimum attaining proficiency or better in reading/language arts and mathematics on the state assessment.

### **2017-2018 School Goals**

On the 2017-2018 CCRPI Report, OHMS will increase the percentage of students scoring as Developing Learner or Above on the GA Milestones exam by 3% from the previous year in each grade level while specifically focusing on math and literacy initiatives.

### **School-Parent Compacts**

As part of this plan, Oak Hill Middle 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 School Forum (which will take place as part of the Title I Meeting.)



The school-parent compacts are kept at the school if parents need a copy.

## **Let's Get Together!**

Oak Hill Middle School will host a number of events throughout the year to encourage and increase parental involvement. Our desire is to foster a relationship among our parents, faculty, staff, and community stakeholders that will improve student academic achievement. Please mark your calendars now and make plans to join us!

**September 21, 2018:** Annual Title I meeting, PTO, Academic night (math)

**November 14, 2018:** PTO, Academic night (Language Arts)

**November 7, 2018:** PBIS Community Meeting (@ Walter B. Williams Recreation Park)

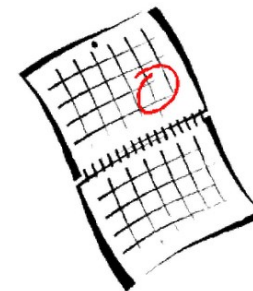
**January 22, 2019:** PTO, Academic night (Science)

**February 6, 2019:** PBIS Community Meeting (@ Wray Homes)

**April 10, 2019:** PBIS Community Meeting (@ Boys & Girls Club)

**April 30, 2019:** PTO, Academic night (Social Studies)

**Check the OHMS Facebook Page, Twitter Page, and website regularly for additional dates!**



## Parent Resource Center

Come visit the Parent Resource Center (located in the front office) 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.

## Parental Involvement

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

- ⇒ 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.

Oak Hill Middle School is committed to helping our parents attend the parental activities listed in this plan. Please call or email us if you need assistance with transportation or child care in order to participate in our programs.

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## Oak Hill is Branching Out!

OHMS 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 available in both English and Spanish, posted on the school Web site, and distributed as necessary through various modes of communication (Remind, Facebook, etc.)
- ⇒ Provide regular 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.
- ⇒ Partner with our Early Learning Center by conducting joint staff meetings for parents and sending school information about parent engagement activities to help prepare parents and their child for kindergarten and improve school transition.
- ⇒ Share information in English and Spanish on the school website 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, social media, 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 cards 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

Oak Hill Middle 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:

- ♦ Welcoming All Families
- ♦ Communicating Effectively
- ♦ Supporting Student Success
- ♦ Speaking Up for Every Child
- ♦ Sharing Power
- ♦ Collaborating with Community

## School Community Team

OHMS 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 Becky Norton at (478) 457-3388 or by email at [becky.norton@baldwin.k12.ga.us](mailto:becky.norton@baldwin.k12.ga.us) 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) \_\_\_\_\_

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