Kemp Elementary School Parental Involvement Policy and Plan for Shared Student Success

2019–2020 School Year

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## What is Title I?

Kemp 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 challenging state academic standards and 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 written parental involvement policies. Kemp elementary parents, teachers, and students jointly developed this policy by meeting in the Spring of 2019 in the Parent Resource Center. This policy was also sent home with the students to ensure parents were able to provide input, and sent back with the students.

# **School Plan for Shared Student Achievement**

### What is it?

This is a plan that describes how Kemp Elementary will provide opportunities to improve parent engagement to support student learning. Kemp Elementary 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 Kemp Elementary will support parent 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?

Kemp Elementary School invited all parents to attend our annual School Forum last Spring to review and revise this parental involvement policy, as well as the school-wide 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 an online form. The plan is posted on our school's 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 distributed an annual survey online and by mail to ask parents for their suggestions on the plan and the use of funds for parental involvement.

## 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. Kemp 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?

We will mail the plan to all parents, the plan will be posted on the school's website, and parents can retrieve a copy of the plan located in the Parent Resource Center – Room 1.

#### 2019–20 District Goals

By the end of the 2020 school year, Clayton County Public Schools will increase the percentage of students scoring at the Proficient and/or Distinguished levels on the GMAS by at least 3 percentage points in each content area.

#### 2019–20 School Goals

By the end of the 2020 school year, students will increase student proficiency in Math and English Language Arts on the Georgia Milestone by 3 percentage points in each content area.

*Reading* – To increase reading comprehension and Lexile levels by 5% as evidenced on State and Local assessments by May 2020, our school will concentrate on the following areas:

- -- Vocabulary Development & Acquisition
- -- Skills for Reading & Comprehending Informational & Complex Text
- -- Using reading to solve problems

*Writing across Curriculum* – 80% of students will develop proficiency with argument, informational/explanatory and narrative writing.

### **School-Parent Compacts**

As part of this plan, Kemp Elementary and our families have developed a school-parent compact, which is an agreement that parents, teachers, and students explain how we will jointly work together to ensure all students' reach grade-level standards. The compact will be reviewed and updated annually based on feedback from parents, teachers and students. The school's compact is posted on the website and can be retrieved in the Parent Resource Center.

# Let's Get Together!

Kemp Elementary will host 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.

#### **Annual Title I Meeting**

Understand how Title I reinforce and enhance efforts to improve teaching and learning for students.

#### Curriculum Night & Open House

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

#### Parent-Teacher and Student Conferences

Scheduled updates on your child's progress.

#### Parent Academy Workshops

Catch up with the latest resources to help support your child's learning. Gain knowledge about topics relevant to your child's education.

#### **Parent Appreciation**

A celebration of parent engagement and the recognition of parental involvement impact on school and student success.

#### Local Council

A forum for parents to participate in roundtable discussions with the principal and staff regarding the school-wide plan, parental involvement policy, school-parent compact and the parental involvement budget.

#### Parent Involvement Committee

Network and share ideas and ways to involve other parents to build partnerships with the school, families and the community.

#### Parent Teacher Association

Get involved with developing the policies and processes at the school which benefit your child and our children.

### 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, educational resources and personal use. Monday – Friday, 7:15 a.m. – 3:15 p.m., Room #1

### **Parental Involvement**

Kemp 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:

- 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.

Kemp Elementary is committed to helping our parents attend the parental activities listed in this plan. Contact Information (770) 473-2870

## Kemp Elementary is Branching Out!

Kemp 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:

Ensure that all information related to school and parent programs, meetings, and other activities are published in both English and Spanish, posted on the school's website, 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.

Communicate with all families and the community on a regular basis regarding school-wide events and activities, through phone messages, social media, and flyers.

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 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 in offices and classrooms around the building and post suggestion form on the school's website in order to respond to parents' requests for additional support for parental involvement activities.

### Parental Involvement Standards

Kemp Elementary and our parents have adopted the National PTA Standards for Family-School Partnerships as the school's modelinengaging parents, students, and the community. These standards are:

- 1. Welcoming All Families
- 2. Communicating Effectively
- 3. Supporting Student Success
- 4. Parenting Strategies
- 5. Decision Making
- 6. Collaborating with Community

### Parent Engagement Committee

Kemp Elementary 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 Parent Involvement, please contact the Parent Liaison at 770-473-2870 xt. 127124.



	Committee
	I am interested and wish to join the Parent Engagement Committee
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# 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 Parent Resource Center:

Name: (optional)

Telephone Number: (optional)