

Temple Middle school

Parent and Family Engagement Plan



2023-2024

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Parent and Family Engagement Policy and Plan for Shared Student Success

2023-2024 School Year

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What is Title I?

Temple Middle 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 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 Temple Middle will provide opportunities to improve family engagement to support student learning. Temple Middle 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 Temple Middle will support family engagement and how parents can help plan and participate in activities and events to promote student learning at school, home, and virtually.

How is it revised?

Temple Middle School invited all parents to attend 22-23 final input meeting for an input on all Title I forms including the Parent/Family Engagement Plan. That information was brought into the design of the plan for 23-24. All parents were invited to Open House 6th/7th/8th grade session on August 2nd, 2023 as well as to our Title I Input meeting on August 23rd, 2023 at 5:00 PM – 5:15 PM to review and revise this parent & family engagement policy, the school wide plan, our school-parent compact, Building Staff Capacity, and the 1% family engagement budget. All parents were invited to attend our Annual Title I meeting on August 23rd, 2023 at 5:15 pm – 5:30 pm. Additionally, parent input and comments regarding this plan are welcome during the school year through emailing the school family engagement coordinator. The plan is posted on our school website for parents and community members to view and submit feedback throughout the year. A final input meeting will be held at the end of the school year for any final parental input on May 24th, 2024 at 5:30 pm – 6:30 pm. 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 school wide program plan is not satisfactory to the parents of TMS students, parents can submit comments on the plan to the district Title I representative at www.carrollcountyschools.com.

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. Temple Middle will provide full opportunity for the participation of parents and family members with limited English, with disabilities, and of migratory children. Parents unable to attend due to transportation or childcare limitations will be provided transportation and childcare if the school is notified of the need ahead of time.

Where is it available?

At the beginning of the year, the plan will be posted on the school website and social media. Parents can also retrieve a copy of the plan in the Parent Resource Center, located in Student Services. The plan will be available in English and Spanish. Translation in another language is an option if notification is given in advance.



2023-2024 District Goals

Our Goals for Student Achievement: Academic District goals

- ✓ To increase the number of students scoring at proficient and distinguished on the GMAS by 3% and to increase the GMAS scores for ELL, ED, and SWD by 6%.

2023-2024 School Goals

TMS will focus on improving GMAS Math by showing .9 months of growth on the STAR Math by the end of April. This will be accomplished by improving areas of focus in 6th gr Ratios & Proportions, 7th gr Statistics & Probability, and 8th gr Geometry.

TMS will focus on improving by:

- Focusing on lessons in Desmos Math & weekly SAFES using Edulastic to remediate and/or accelerate students to monitor progress
- Teachers will offer tutoring during one of their planning periods to work with students for remediation or acceleration in the areas of, but not limited to, Ratios & Proportions, Statistics & Probability, and Geometry

School-Parent Compacts

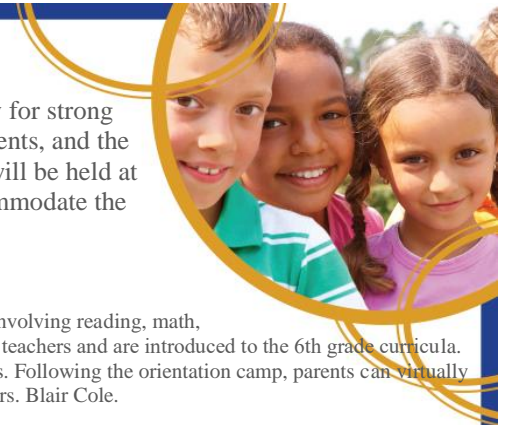
As part of this plan, Temple Middle and our families will develop a school-parent compact, which is an agreement that parents, teachers, and students will develop that explains how parents and teachers will work together to make sure all our students reach grade-level standards. The compacts will be reviewed and updated annually based on feedback from parents, students, and teachers during the

Academic Parent Meetings and the Input meetings. The

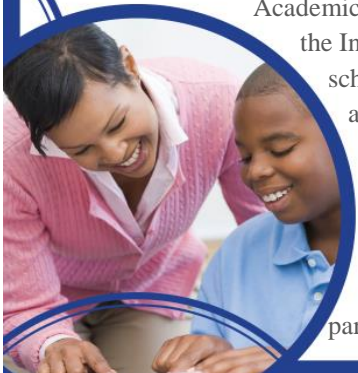
school-parent compacts also are shared with parents during parent-teacher conferences and kept in the Parent Resource Area if parents need another copy.

Let's Get Together!

Temple Middle 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 will be held at various times to accommodate parents as well as virtually to accommodate the virus limitations of public gatherings.



- ✓ **July 24th – 25th – 6th gr Tiger Camp**
6th grade students engage with their teachers in introductory activities involving reading, math, science, social studies, and STEM. 6th grade families meet their child's teachers and are introduced to the 6th grade curricula. They are also provided with a virtual walkthrough of the school grounds. Following the orientation camp, parents can virtually attend a question & answer session led by our lead 6th grade teacher, Mrs. Blair Cole.
- ✓ **August 2nd 4:00 PM – 5:30 PM**
6th Grade Open House
5:30 PM – 7:00 PM
7th & 8th Grade Open House
Meet your child's teacher and our friendly and helpful school staff for the year. Provide input to draft Title I documents.
- ✓ **August 23rd – 5:00 PM Conference Room**
Title I Input Meeting
Provide important input on our School Wide Plan, Parent Compact, Parent Family Engagement Plan, and 1 % Parent Budget.
- ✓ **August 23rd – 5:15 PM Conference Room**
Title I Annual Meeting
We invite you to a meeting 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 posted on the school website, social media, and sent in Remind.
- ✓ **August 23rd – 5:30 PM – 6:30 PM**
Title I Day in the Life of a Middle School Student
- ✓ **October 26th – 5:30 PM - 6:30 PM**
Infinite Campus Parent Night
Parents can come to receive help/information in Google Classroom and Parent Infinite Campus Portal
- ✓ **November 7th – 5:30 PM – 6:30 PM**
Title I Curriculum Parent Night
- ✓ **November 14th – 5:30 PM – 6:30 PM**
Title I GMAS Readiness Parent Information
TMS will provide and explain individual assessment results to parents
- ✓ **February (more info to come) – Temple Cluster STEAM Night**
Parents will enjoy hearing the latest writing samples and curriculum updates.
- ✓ **April (more info to come) – Art & Band Extravaganza**
- ✓ **May – Schoolwide awards ceremony**
A celebration of family engagement and the recognition of its impact on school and student success.
- ✓ **May 21st – 5:30 PM Conference Room**
Final Title I Input Meeting



Parent Resource Center

Come visit the Parent Resource Center inside of Student Services to check out books, study materials, and activities to use at home with your child. Computer/printer is available for parents to explore the Parent Portal and educational resources.

Monday – Friday, 8:00 am – 4:00 pm

Parent and Family Engagement

Temple Middle School 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.

Temple Middle 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 child care or transportation in order to participate in our programs.

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Temple Middle is Reaching Out!

Temple Middle will take the following measures to promote and support parents and family members as an important foundation of the school in order to strengthen the school and reach our school goals. We will:

- ✓ Ensure that information related to school and parent programs, meetings, and other activities is published in both English and Spanish, posted on the school website, and included in the monthly school newsletter for all families
- ✓ Provide monthly trainings for staff during their planning periods 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 high 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
- ✓ Communicate with all families and the community on a regular basis regarding schoolwide events and activities, through school website, Zoom/Google Hangout, Infinite Campus messenger 2.0, Remind, parent weekly principal emails, social media, and flyers. Facebook.com\temple.middle
- ✓ Work with our parents to develop relevant trainings and helpful presentations/videos to educate our staff on the importance of parent and family engagement and how to support student learning
- ✓ Provide literacy/curriculum night, necessary materials and handouts for parents at Open House and conferences, meetings, and digital technology night sharing with parents how technology is used in student academic achievement and the proper ways for students and parents to be good digital citizens while using the internet. These activities are to help parents work with their child to improve their child's achievement and provide curriculum information for student success
- ✓ Provide parents with a detailed description of their child's assessment scores on the Georgia Milestones in a language that best suits the parents needs, as well as provide a description/explanation of the assessments used to measure student progress and achievements for the challenging State academic standards upon request
- ✓ Use our Partners in Education and School PBIS Council to improve awareness of the activities and events listed in the school parent and family engagement policy
- ✓ Collect feedback from parents and family members at all events and post a suggestion form on the school website in order to respond to parents' requests for additional support for parent and family engagement activities. Parents can also email the Parent Engagement Coordinators, kristin.limbaugh@carrollcountyschools.com or ansley.barr@carrollcountyschools.com with any requests or questions



Parent and Family Engagement Standards

Temple Middle has 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

TMS School Council

Temple Middle invites all parents to join the School Council to share ideas and ways to involve other parents and family members to build partnerships with school, families, and the community. The team will meet during the school year 8/28/2023, 11/27/2023, and 3/25/2023, but parents and family members 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 Council or to schedule a meeting, please contact the principal at (770) 562-6001 or complete the interest form and leave it in the Main Office.



TMS School Council

- Yes, I am interested and wish to join the School Council.
- Please contact me so I can learn more in joining the School Council.
- 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 policy 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) _____

