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Parent and Family Engagement Plan

2024-2025

Plan Review / Revision Date:

June 2024

Committee Members, Role:

Mr. Edmond Williams, Principal

Mr. Monroe Golden, Asst. Principal

Mrs. Lora Owens, Counselor

Mrs. Nearline Anderson, Counselor

Mrs. Charlotte Walker, Support Staff

Mrs. Lilly Hamilton, Teacher

Mr. Robert Love, Parent

Mr. Melvin Matthews, Community Member

Introduction

The Parental Involvement Committee, consisting of school parent liaison, administrators, teachers, counselors, social worker, parents, and community members met to create the Parent and Family Engagement Plan for Gentry High School. This plan describes the different ways that Gentry High School will support family

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engagement and how parents can help plan and participate in activities and events to promote student learning at school and at home. All shareholders on the committee will participate in an annual review of the Parent and Family Engagement Plan.

Annual Title I Meeting

A Title I meeting was held in the Gentry High School gymnasium on September 6, 2024, at 5:00 p.m.

The purpose of the meeting was to:

- Inform parents of their rights under Title I
- Inform parents of the requirements of Title I and the school's participation.

Communication

Mr. Edmond Williams, edwilliams@sunflowerk12.org

Copies of the school parent and family engagement plan will be located in the parent center in order to be readily available to families and local community.

A copy of the plan will be emailed to parents.

The school will also communicate with parents in a variety of ways:

- Provide a variety of family nights virtually that will fully inform parents of Title I programs.
- Publicize all meeting at least 1 week in advance; email and post flyers around the school and disseminate to the students to take home.
- Parents will be able to access their child's grades through the Activ-Portal.
- Teachers will routinely contact parents to communicate their child's progress if there is an issue and needs to be addressed.
- The school will provide printed copies of progress reports/ report cards every four weeks.
- Communicate effectively with parents about curriculum, assessments, meetings, student progress and Title I programs through the Title I Annual meeting and quarterly newsletter.
- Communicate all pertinent information in a variety of ways, through use of the school's messenger system (School Status), teacher conferences, school's website page, REMIND, Facebook page and notices sent home.

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- Parents are welcome to come to the school to speak with their child's teacher. Parents are encouraged to volunteer, as well as be full participants in the PTO.

Parent-student-teacher Compacts

- As part of this plan, Gentry High School and our families will complete a Parent-student-teacher compact, which is an agreement that parents.
- The compact will be emailed and distributed to parents. A copy will be stored by Mrs. Hull
- The compact will outline how parents, school staff, and students share the responsibility for improving student academic achievement.

Reservation of Funds

- For 2024-2025, Gentry High School has received \$3726.31 allocation from district Title I funds for parent and family engagement activities.
- The school will engage parents in decision-making about the allocation of its Title I funds for parent and family engagement.
- Funds from Title I for parent and family engagement activities will be spent as follows:
 1. Various parenting books will be purchased and kept on hand in the GHS Parent Center.
 2. Various item(s) will be used to purchase items students may need.

Coordination of Services

- The school will encourage the formation of a Parent Teacher Association or Parent Teacher Organization that will foster parental and community involvement.
- The school will work with Gentry High School (10th – 12th) to help provide a smooth transition from grade to grade then society.
- The school will collaborate with other programs such as Delta Health Alliance, Life Help and other state-run programs.



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Building Capacity of Parents

- GHS has developed a parent resource area. This area is located where all parents will have access. The resource area is open Wednesday from 11:00 – 3:00 and Thursday – Friday from 8:00 – 3:00. A suggestion sheet will also be available for parental input.
- Parents may check out materials, use the computer to check grades, and visit educational websites in the resource area.
- The school will provide instructions to a parent on how to incorporate learning activities in the home environment, Education website tools for parents and preparation and other strategies or curricula developed or acquired by the school district for at home-parental instruction approved by the Mississippi Department of Education.
- The school will encourage parents in the following types of roles and activities to increase their involvement and support for student learning:
 1. Awards Day presentations will be held after each reporting period
 2. RAM of the Month Recognition (picture will be taken, students will be posted on website)
 3. Open House – will be conducted in the Fall
 4. Orientation – will be conducted in both the Fall
 5. Data Meetings – Every nine weeks
 6. Parent Conferences – October and March
 7. Title I Annual Meeting – September 2024



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Building Capacity of School Staff

- Provide staff training to ensure they are building positive relationships with students and parents.
- Provide knowledge on based on the importance of family engagement and to promote it throughout the school.
- Parent teacher conferences will be held on Wednesday, October 12, 2024 and on Friday, March 17, 2025.