

Georgia Department of Education
School Level Parental Involvement Policy

Turner Woods Elementary School

Attitude – Attendance- Achievement

2016-2017 School Year



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What is Title I?

Turner Woods Elementary 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 order to 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 a written parental involvement policy with all parents .

School Plan for Shared Student Achievement

What is it? This is a plan that describes how Turner Woods Elementary will provide opportunities to improve parent engagement and support student learning. Turner Woods Elementary School is dedicated to providing a quality education for all students. By establishing and maintaining open lines of communication, we will expand and enhance learning opportunities for every child.

How is it developed? Turner Woods Elementary School is committed to establishing a meaningful and strong Home, School, and Community Partnership. The school recognizes that parents/guardians are their children's first and most influential teachers, and that sustained parent involvement in the education of their children contributes greatly to student achievement and a positive school environment. The plan is posted on our school website for parents to view and provide feedback throughout the year. We also distribute an annual survey online and send a hard copy home to parents. Parents are asked to provide input/ suggestions on the plan and the use of funds for parent involvement. Parents can also give feedback during our annual Fall Title I Parent Meeting and Spring Title I Meeting when we revise the plan for the upcoming 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. Turner Woods Elementary will provide the opportunity for the participation of parents , parents with disabilities and parents of migratory children.

Where is it available? At the beginning of the year, the plan is sent home with students. Copies are also available on the school website, in the front office Information Center and online.



School-Parent Compacts

Turner Woods Elementary School has jointly developed with and distributed to parents a school-parent compact that outlines how parents, the entire school staff, and students will share academic achievement. It also describes how the school and parents will develop a partnership to help children achieve academic success. The school-parent compact describes the following items:

- **The school's responsibility to provide high-quality curriculum and instruction in a supportive and effective learning environment.**
- **The importance of ongoing communication between parents and teachers through, at least annual Parent/Teacher conferences, reports on student progress, and access to staff.**

2016-17 District Goals

Jones County Board of Education Goals:

The Board of Education sets goals for the entire district. The district goals for elementary students in 2016-2017 are designed to ensure students' mastery of the Common Core Georgia Performance Standards (CCGPS) and/or Georgia Performance Standards.

- The district goals in 2016-2017 are designed to ensure student's mastery of the Georgia mandated state standards.
- Improve student success through effective instructional programs
- Provide effective student support services

Turner Woods Elementary Goals for Student Achievement 2016-2017

Students in grades K-2 will increase reading proficiency utilizing the following measurements and criteria:

- 75% of Kindergarten students will be transitional/ probable based on SEL.
- 75% of all First grade students will increase by one grade level equivalent score using STAR Reading Assessment by May 2017.
- 75% of all Second grade students will increase by one grade level on the grade equivalent score using STAR Reading and STAR Math Assessment by May 2017.
- Third Grade students will exceed the state average by 5% in the area of math on the GMAS.
- Fourth and Fifth grade students will exceed the state average by 5% in the area of reading and math on the GMAS.

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Let's Get Together

Turner Woods 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.

Open House
Annual Title I Meeting / Documents Review
Curriculum Night
Math / Reading / Science Night
Writing in a Winter Wonderland
Family Affair Parent Workshops
Parent Volunteer Orientation
Parent Volunteer Appreciation
Career Day/ Career Vehicle Day
Kindergarten Orientation
Fifth Grade Transition
Family Affair Workshop

Parent Resource Center

The Parent Resource Center is located in the Media Center Conference Room. The purpose of the center is to provide a place where parents can check out additional resources to help their children increase their achievement. Computers are available for use by parents in the Media Center and Computer Lab. The Parent Resource Center is open Monday – Friday
8:00 -4:00 p.m.

Visitor Policy

Parents are always welcome; however, student safety is our top priority. It is required that all visitors sign in at the front office upon entry before proceeding to any area of the building. Thank you in advance for your cooperation.

Involvement of Parents in the Title I Program

Turner Woods Elementary School will provide the following necessary coordination, technical assistance, and other support to assist planning and implementing effective parent involvement activities to improve student academic achievement and school performance:

- Provide monthly newsletters to parents
- School website will include updated information
- Provide parent/student information through deficiency reports, report cards and signed papers.
- Will convene an annual meeting at a convenient time, to which all parents shall be invited and encouraged to attend.
- Offer a flexible number of meetings, such as meetings in the morning, afternoon or evening.
- Involve parents in an organized, ongoing and timely way; in planning and reviewing TWES Parent Involvement Plan and School-Parent Compact.
- Build strong parental involvement by helping parents understand the state Common Core Georgia Performance Standards (CCGPS).
- Communicate, reach out and work with parents as equal partners through conferences, teacher newsletters, phone and email contacts.
- Provide translated school information to parents of non-English speaking parents.
- Provide parents with professional qualifications of their children's teacher



Student Achievement



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Parent Involvement Standards

Turner Woods Elementary 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

Turner Woods Elementary invites all parents to join PTO / School Council 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 during all activities and meetings as well as through our parent surveys and website. If you would like to learn more about the PTO / School Council please contact the principal at (986-2222) Mr. Lance Rackley, Mrs. Gwinnette Hudson, or Twana Jackson.

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) _____



School Community Team

- Yes, I am excited about joining the PTO / School Council
- Yes, please contact me so I can learn more about the PTO / School Council
- Yes, this sounds like a great idea, please keep me posted about future meetings

Name: _____

Child's Name and Grade: _____

Address: _____

Phone Number: _____

Email address: _____