Benteen Elementary School

Parent and Family Engagement Plan for Shared Student Success 2024-2025



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What is Title I?

Benteen Elementary School 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 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 Benteen Elementary School will provide opportunities to improve parent and family engagement to support student learning. Benteen values the contributions and engagement of parents to establish an equal partnership for the common goal of improving student achievement. This plan describes the different ways that Benteen Elementary School 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 developed?

Benteen Elementary School invited all parents to attend our School Wide Planning and Budget meeting to review and revise this parental engagement plan, our school-parent compact and the parental and family engagement 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 Web site 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 distribute an annual survey online and by mail to ask parents for their suggestions on the plan and the use of funds for parental and family engagement. Parents can also give feedback during several parent meetings and activities 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. Benteen Elementary School will provide full opportunity for the participation of parents with limited English, parents with disabilities and parents of migratory children.

Where is it available?

The plan is posted to the school website, emailed to all parents, distributed at the Annual Title I meeting. Parents can also retrieve a copy in the Parent Resource Center located on the immediate side hall outside the cafeteria in room 99.

2024-2025 Academic Achievement Goals

APS District Goal

ACADEMIC PROGRAM

Our students will be well-rounded individuals who possess the necessary academic skills and knowledge and are excited about learning.

Benteen Elementary Goals:

All Grades - Literacy: Build the 45-minute writing segment into the master schedule. Use a variety of text sources to increase reading and writing fluency.

All Grades - Math: Identify and implement consistent intentional math best practices to increase inquiry and understanding.

School-Parent Compacts

As part of this plan, Benteen Elementary School and our families will develop a school-parent compact. It is an agreement that explains how parents, teachers and students work together to ensure that our students reach grade-level standards.

The compacts are reviewed and updated annually based on feedback from parents, students and teachers during the School-wide Planning meeting and in school forums.

Parents and teachers work diligently to create compacts. A copy of the school-parent compact brochure is distributed to every family.

Let's Get Together!

Benteen Elementary School will host several events to build the capacity for strong parent and family engagement to support a partnership among the school, parents, and the community to improve student academic achievement. First quarter events included our Annual title 1 meeting, Curriculum Night, and several Family Engagement activities. Future events will be posted on the school website and announced through flyers, emails, text messages and voice messenger.

Annual Title 1 Meeting

Principal Chat

PTO Meetings

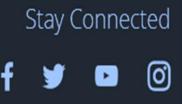
Campus Portal and Computer Literacy Workshop

Parent and Family Engagement Month

Title I Parent Input Meeting

Future Events will be posted on the school's website, and announced through take home flyers, email, text, and voice messenger.

Connect digitally with Benteen Elementary School on all social media platforms to receive updates on family engagement events!





Parent Center Information

Benteen Elementary School Parent Center is open and fully equipped with valuable academic materials and resources for parents.

Parent Center Contact and Hours

Monday-Friday 9:00 am-2:30 pm

Ms. L Salters ljsalters@atlanta.k12.ga.us 404-802-7318

Parent and Family Engagement

Benteen Elementary School believes that parent engagement means the participation of parents in two-way communication involving student academic learning and other school activities, including ensuring:

- Parents play a role in assisting in their child's learning.
- Parents are encouraged to be actively involved in their child's education at school and home.
- Parents are full partners with the school and are included 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.

Benteen Elementary 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 childcare or transportation in order to participate in our programs.



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We will take the following measures to promote and support parents as an important foundation of the school 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 published in English and Spanish, posted on the school website, and included in the school correspondence to all parents.
- Provide 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.
- Send school information about parent engagement activities to help prepare parents and students for school transitions.
- Share information on the school website, Twitter, and other social media forums.
- Provide information for parents detailing the school's academic standards and assessments as well as the ways parents can monitor their child's progress and work with teachers.
- Communicate with all families and the community on a regular basis regarding school-wide 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 and parents on the importance of parent and family engagement.
- 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 Family Engagement Committee to improve awareness of the activities and events listed in the school parent and family engagement plan.
- Collect feedback from parents at events and distribute suggestions mailbox link on the school's website to respond to parents' requests.

Parent Engagement Standards

Benteen Elementary School 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

Benteen invites **ALL** parents to share ideas and ways to involve other parents to build partnerships with school, families, and the community.

Parents can submit their ideas or suggestions during all activities and meetings. Contact the Parent Liaison or complete the interest form and leave it in the Parent Center Main Office mailbox.

> Ms. Chanel Free 404-802-7310 Chanel.free@atlanta.k12.ga.us

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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 Main Office.

Please provide your contact information if you would like someone to contact you.

Name: ______

Telephone Number ______

Email Address: ______