



School Parent and Family Engagement Policy
White Oak Elementary
School Year 2025-2026
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In support of strengthening student academic achievement, **White Oak Elementary** receives Title I, Part A funds and therefore must jointly develop with, agree on with, and distribute to parents and family members of participating children a written parent and family engagement policy that contains information required by section 1116(b) and (c) of the Every Student Succeeds Act (ESSA). The policy establishes the school's expectations for parent and family engagement and describes how the school will implement a number of specific parent and family engagement activities; it is incorporated into the school's plan submitted to the local educational agency (LEA).

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White Oak Elementary agrees to implement the following requirements as outlined by Section 1116:

- Involve parents, in an organized, ongoing, and timely way, in the planning, review, and improvement of programs under Title I, Part A, including the planning, review, and improvement of the school parent and family engagement policy and the joint development of the schoolwide program plan under Section 1114(b) of the Every Student Succeeds Act (ESSA).
- Update the school parent and family engagement policy periodically to meet the changing needs of parents and the school, distribute it to the parents of participating children, and make the parent and family engagement policy available to the local community.
- Provide full opportunities, to the extent practicable, for the participation of parents with limited English proficiency, parents with disabilities, and parents of migratory children, including providing information and school reports required under Section 1111 of the ESSA in an understandable and uniform format, including alternative formats upon request and, to the extent practicable, in a language parents understand.
- If the schoolwide program plan under Section 1114(b) of the ESSA is not satisfactory to the parents of participating children, submit any parent comments on the plan when the school makes the plan available to the local educational agency.
- Be governed by the following statutory definition of parent and family engagement and will carry out programs, activities, and procedures in accordance with this definition:

Parent and Family Engagement means the participation of parents in regular, two-way, and meaningful communication involving student academic learning and other school activities, including ensuring:

- (A) Parents play an integral role in assisting their child's learning
- (B) Parents are encouraged to be actively involved in their child's education at school
- (C) 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
- (D) Other activities are carried out, such as those described in Section 1116 of the ESSA

*This is a plan that describes how **White Oak Elementary** will provide opportunities to improve family engagement to support student learning. **White Oak Elementary** 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 **White Oak Elementary** will support family engagement and how parents can help plan and participate in activities and events to promote student learning at school and at home.*

JOINTLY DEVELOPED

White Oak Elementary will take the following actions to involve parents in an organized, ongoing, and timely manner in the planning, review, and improvement of Title I programs, including opportunities for regular meetings, if requested by parents, to formulate suggestions and to participate, as appropriate, in decisions relating to the education of their child and respond to any such suggestions as soon as practicably possible.

***White Oak Elementary** invites all parents to attend our annual Title I Stakeholder Input Meeting in the spring to review and revise this parent and family engagement policy, as well as the schoolwide plan, our school-parent compact, and the family engagement budget. Additionally, parent input and comments regarding this plan are welcome during the school year. The plan is posted on our school 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 distribute an annual survey online and by hard copy 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.*

ANNUAL TITLE I MEETING

White Oak Elementary will take the following actions to conduct an annual meeting, at a convenient time, and encourage and invite all parents of participating children to attend to inform them about the school's Title I program, the nature of the Title I program, the parents' requirements, the school parent and family engagement policy, the schoolwide plan, and the school-parent compact.

***White Oak Elementary** will hold our Annual Title I meeting in August 2025 to inform parents of the requirements of Title I and the school's participation as well as the parents' rights to be involved. Parents will receive a copy of the revised parent and family engagement policy for the current school year and have the opportunity to ask questions.*

COMMUNICATION

White Oak Elementary will take the following actions to provide parents of participating children the following:

- Timely information about the Title I programs
- Flexible number of meetings, such as meetings in the morning or evening, and may provide with Title I funds, transportation, child care or home visits, as such services relate to parent and family engagement.
- Information related to the school and parent programs, meetings, and other activities, is sent to the parents of participating children in an understandable and uniform format, including alternative formats upon request and, to the extent practicable, in a language the parents can understand:

- *White Oak parents will receive a copy of the revised parent and family engagement policy for the current school year at the Title I Annual Meeting and via email distribution. Additionally, the plan is posted on our school website for parents to view and submit feedback throughout the 2025-2026 school year.*
- *White Oak Elementary will ensure that all 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.*

White Oak will distribute and communicate information about all Title I documents and events to parents in the following ways:

- School website
- Parent-Teacher Conferences
- Parent Workshops
- Remind Texts
- One Call Remind System
- Flyers
- Newsletters
- Weekly WOW Folders
- Social Media - Facebook

SCHOOL-PARENT COMPACT

White Oak Elementary will take the following actions to jointly develop with parents of participating children a school-parent compact that outlines how parents, the entire school staff, and students will share the responsibility for improved student academic achievement and the means by which the school and parents will build and develop a partnership to help children achieve the state's high standards.

White Oak Elementary will gather input/feedback throughout the year on our School-Parent Compact from parents, teachers, and students. Additional input/feedback will be gathered at our annual Title I Stakeholders Input meeting in the spring. Our compact will be reviewed and updated annually based on feedback from parents, students, and teachers. Revised compacts will be reviewed and distributed each year at our Title I Annual Meeting in the fall.

RESERVATION OF FUNDS

If applicable, **White Oak Elementary** will take the following actions to involve the parents of children served in Title I, Part A schools in decisions about how the 1 percent of Title I, Part A funds reserved for parent and family engagement is spent by:

White Oak Elementary will gather feedback from parents during our annual Title I Stakeholder Input Meeting as to how Family Engagement funds should be allocated. During our Title I Annual Meeting each fall, White Oak will share with families the budget allocation for parent and family engagement activities and programs.

COORDINATION OF SERVICES

White Oak Elementary will, to the extent feasible and appropriate, coordinate and integrate parent and family engagement programs and activities with other Federal, State, and local programs, including public preschool programs, and conduct other activities, such as parent resource centers, that encourage and support parents in more fully participating in the education of their children by:

White Oak recognizes its role in coordinating and helping parents access further external parent programs in our community, such as Puddle Jumpers, Stepping Stones, and the Ferst Foundation. White Oak has a Parent Resource Center in the front office of the school complete with a computer for parent use, and Coweta has a Parent Resource Center located on Nimmons Street in Newnan.

CCSS will ensure that the Neglected and Delinquent facilities located in our school attendance areas are included in the parental involvement correspondence and activities.

BUILDING CAPACITY OF PARENTS

White Oak Elementary will build the parents' capacity for strong parent and family engagement to ensure effective involvement of parents and to support a partnership among the school and the community to improve student academic achievement through the following:

- Providing parents with a description and explanation of the curriculum in use at the school, the forms of academic assessments used to measure student progress, and the achievement levels of the challenging State academic standards; and
- Materials and training to help parents to work with their child to improve their child's achievement, such as literacy training and using technology (including education about the harms of copyright piracy), as appropriate, to foster parent and family engagement
- Providing assistance to parents of participating children, as appropriate, in understanding topics such as the following:
 - The challenging State's academic standards
 - The State and local academic assessments including alternate assessments
 - The requirements of Title I, Part A
 - How to monitor their child's progress
 - How to work with educators to improve the achievement of their child

Meet the Teacher
Parent-Teacher Conferences
Open House (learn about your child's curriculum)
Technology Tips
Literacy/Math Night
Milestone Night
Kindergarten Roundup
Title I Annual Meeting and Input Meeting
Parent Resource Center
Veteran's Day Recognition
Volunteering / Observing
Chorus concerts
PTO Family Events

BUILDING CAPACITY OF SCHOOL STAFF

White Oak Elementary will provide training to educate teachers, specialized instructional support personnel, principals, and other school leaders, and other staff, with the assistance of parents, in the value and utility of contributions of parents, and in how to reach out to, communicate with, and work with parents as equal partners, implement and coordinate parent programs, and build ties between parents and the school by:

White Oak Elementary will provide quarterly training for staff during faculty meetings 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 monthly professional development sessions.

Through our School Council, White Oak Elementary will work with our parents to develop relevant training and helpful presentations to educate our staff on the importance of parent and family engagement and how to support student learning.

White Oak Elementary will provide other reasonable support for parent and family engagement activities under Section 1116 as parents may request by:

White Oak 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. 770-254-2860