# **Greene County Middle School**

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### Parent & Family Engagement Policy

2023-2024 School Year

### Definition

The term "parent and family engagement" means the participation of parents, guardians, and other family members in regular, two-way, and meaningful communication involving student learning and other school activities, including ensuring the following:

- Parents and family members play an integral role in assisting their child's learning
- Parents and family members are encouraged to be actively involved in their child's education
- Parents & guardians 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
- Greene County Middle School utilizes activities to support parent and family engagement in the Title I programs

### Methods of Communications Used

- Wednesday Folders sent home weekly for grades K-8
- Remind Messaging System: school wide and teacher specific
- Notes, letters, emails and phone calls home as the need arises
- Student Code of Conduct for Greene County Schools
- District and School websites updated regularly; including social media sites such as Facebook & Twitter
- AlertNow Messages (automated phone call, text, and email announcements)
- Parent Surveys
- Parent Portal & Canvas Parent App
- Home visits
- Progress Reports & Report Cards
- Attendance Letters

<sup>\*</sup>varied forms of communication, including access for our native Spanish speakers

# **Parent Advisory Councils**

Principals at all of our Title I schools have established Parent Advisory Councils that meet periodically during the school year to review school activities, policies, and procedures and to provide parental/guardian input in planning the total school program focused on student safety and student success.

# **Open Houses**

We invite parents/guardians to each "Open House" during the school year. The purpose of these meetings are to discuss programs provided by the schools, to discuss academic expectations of the schools, and to inform parents of their student's progress. The faculty and staff also ask for parental input in the design and implementation of our school improvement efforts and any new or revised program plans.

# **Annual Meeting & Program Evaluation**

Each year, school officials must invite parents/guardians of students participating in Title I programs to a meeting to explain parental/guardian rights, discuss programs and activities to be provided by Title I funds, and solicit input on the Title I program and this policy. School officials must also provide parents/guardians a meaningful opportunity to annually evaluate the content and effectiveness of the Title I programs and the parent and family engagement policies and plans. Information collected from these meetings will be used to revise Title I programs and parent and family engagement plans.