

**Adamson Middle School
Parent & Family Engagement Policy & Plan
For Shared Student Success
2018-2019 School Year**



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What is Title I?

Adamson Middle School is identified as a Title I school as part of the Every Student Succeeds Act 2015 (ESSA). 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 parent & family engagement. All Title I schools must jointly develop with all parents & families a written parent & family engagement policy/plan. Adamson Middle School jointly developed this Parent & Family Engagement Policy/Plan with all stakeholders: parents, students and school staff through a series of Title I meetings held in the fall of 2018. All stakeholders were given the opportunity to provide input through meetings, input forms and comment cards. The policy/plan was then revised according to this input that was received by ALL stakeholders.



School Parent & Family Engagement Plan for Shared Student Achievement

What is it?

This is a plan that describes how Adamson Middle School will provide opportunities to improve parent & family engagement to support student learning. Adamson Middle School values the contributions and involvement of parents & families in order to establish an equal partnership for the common goal of improving student achievement. This plan describes the different ways that Adamson Middle will support parent & family engagement and how parents & families can help plan and participate in activities and events to promote student learning at school and at home. Parents & families are encouraged to actively participate in their child's education by volunteering in their child's classroom as well as, attending academically based workshops. Adamson Middle School welcomes parent & family input at all times of the school year via face-to-face contact, input meetings, comment cards, phone calls, and emails.

How is it revised?

Adamson Middle School invited all parents & families to attend a series of Title I meetings in the fall of 2018 to review and revise this parent & family engagement policy/plan, our school-parent compacts and the 1% parent & family engagement budget. Additionally, parent & family input and comments regarding this plan are welcome during the school year in our comment box located outside of the front office, emails and phone calls to school administrators and the Title I parent liaison. The plan is posted on our school website for parents & families to view and submit feedback throughout the year. All parent & family feedback received during the year will be used to revise the plan for the next school year. We also distributed an annual survey online, by email, and a paper copy sent home with each student, to ask parents & families for their suggestions on the plan and the use of funds for parent & family engagement. Adamson Middle School also welcomes parent & family input to provide feedback at meetings and activities throughout the 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. Adamson Middle School will provide full opportunity for the participation of parents & families with limited English, parents & families with disabilities, parents & families of ESOL students, homeless families, and parents & families of migratory children and parents & families of other programs to the extent feasible and appropriate.

Where is it available?

At the beginning of the year, the policy is included in the packet of Title I documents that are sent home with each student. The document is emailed to parents & families as well as, posted on the school's website, <http://019.clayton.k12.ga.us>. Parents can also retrieve a copy of the policy in the Parent & Family Resource Center at any time.

2018-2019 District Goals

Clayton County Public Schools sets goals for the entire district. The goals for 2018-2019 are:

- By 2023, Clayton County Public School will increase the percentage of students scoring at the proficient and / or distinguished levels on the Georgia Milestones to at least 80% in each content area.
 - Over the next five years, Clayton County Public Schools will increase the graduation rate from 69.9% to 90% or higher.
- To increase academic achievement for all students in Clayton County Public Schools as evidenced by state, national and international assessment results
- To provide and maintain a safe and orderly learning environment
- To create an environment that promotes active engagement, communication, accountability, and collaboration of all stakeholders to maximize student achievement
- To provide high quality support services delivered on time and within budget to promote student high performance in the Clayton County Public Schools
- To recruit, develop, and retain highly qualified and effective staff

2018-19 Adamson Middle School Goals

By 2023, Adamson Middle School will increase the percentage of students scoring at the proficient and / or distinguished levels on the Georgia Milestones to at least 80% in each content area.

School-Parent Compacts

As part of this plan, Adamson Middle School and our families will jointly develop a school-parent compact, which is an agreement that parents, teachers, and students will develop together that explains how parents and teachers will work together to make sure all our students reach grade-level standards. The compacts are reviewed and updated annually based on feedback from parents, students, and teachers during Title I input and revision meetings. The school-parent compacts are sent home with all students after revisions are made and a copy is posted on the school website and in the Parent & Family Resource Center.

Parent & Family Engagement Activities

Adamson Middle School will host the following events to build the capacity for strong parent & family engagement to support a partnership among the school, parents, and the community to improve student academic achievement:

Annual Title I Meeting- August 23, 2018- 4:15pm, August 28, 2018- 10am

- ✓ Parents & families are invited to learn and share about our Title I program, including our parent & family engagement policy, the school wide plan, the school-parent compacts, and parents' requirements. Dates and times will be announced via flyers, the school marquee, the school website, email and remind.

Open House- September 20, 2018- 5pm

- ✓ Meet your child's teacher and our friendly and helpful school staff for the year during Open House. Information will go home with students before the event.

School-Wide Curriculum Nights- 5:30pm

- ✓ Sample portions of the Math, English/Language Arts, Social Studies, and Science content. Curriculum Night will provide parents with a sample of what students will learn in each specific subject.

Parent-Teacher and Student Conferences – Fall 2018 & Spring 2019

- ✓ Scheduled updates on your child's progress.

Bring Your Family to Lunch & Class Day- November 2018

Parent & Family Appreciation- November 2018

- ✓ We applaud our parents & families during the National Family Engagement Month

Parent & Family Workshop Sessions- September 2018- May 2019

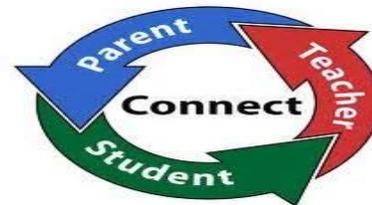
- ✓ Help your child learn at home by attending monthly workshops offered in the Parent & Family Resource Center (detailed information will be sent home through monthly calendars).

Principal Chat- November 2018 and March 2019

- ✓ A forum for parents & families to participate in roundtable discussions with the principal regarding topics of interest. These chats are a way of communicating expectations, rights, responsibilities, and concerns.

Parent & Family Recognition- April 2019

- ✓ Parents & family members who have attended a specific number of the parent & family workshops throughout the school year will be honored in a county wide celebration at the Performing Arts Center.



Parent & Family Resource Center

Come visit the Parent & Family Resource Center to check out books, study materials, and suggested activities to use at home with your child. Computers are available for parents & families to explore the parent portal and educational resources.

Monday-Friday 8:15 am-3:15 pm

Parent & Family Engagement

Adamson Middle School believes that parent & family engagement means the participation of parents & families in regular two-way and meaningful communication regarding student academic learning and other school activities. The collaboration with parents & families to inform teacher and staff members on how to reach, communicate and partner with parents & families including ensuring:

- That parents & families play an integral role in assisting their child's learning.
- That parents & families are encouraged to be actively involved in their child's education at school.
- That parents & families 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.
- The carrying out of other activities as described in this plan.

Parents & families will be encouraged to monitor their child's progress and work in partnership with our staff to improve the achievement of their children through volunteering in the classrooms, contacting the school with questions or comments, attending meetings and workshops, and working with their child at home. Student progress will be monitored and shared with parents through parent-teacher conferences, report cards, progress reports, phone calls, emails, student agendas, and Infinite Campus (Online Grades).

Adamson Middle School is committed to helping our parents & families participate in the activities listed in this plan. Please call or email us if you need assistance.

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Adamson Middle School is Branching Out!

Adamson Middle School will take the following measures to promote and support parents & families as an important foundation of the school in order to strengthen the school and reach our school goals.

We will:

- ✓ Ensure that all information related to school and parent & family programs, meetings, and other activities is published in an understandable format, and to the extent possible in a language the parents & families can understand, and posted on the school website and included on the monthly school calendar/newsletter for all parents & families.
- ✓ Report the results of the annual school review (CCRPI Status) to parents & families during the school year. Information on school performance is available on the school's website, and sent home annually with students.
- ✓ Make sure parents & families receive a copy of their child's assessment results whenever a national, state, or district level assessment is given. A parent & family report explanation guide is provided with the national and state assessment so parents & families can understand the meaning of the results. Every effort is made to provide parents with conference times to share the results and answer questions.
- ✓ Make sure every effort is made to explain assessments used to measure student's progress and the proficiency levels in which the students are expected to meet, will be explained at curriculum night and reviewed during parent/teacher conferences. An explanation of the Georgia Milestones Assessment System will be provided to parents along with the state's content and student performance standards (Georgia Standards of Excellence) throughout the school year.
- ✓ The school will handle responses to parent & family questions, concerns and suggestions in a timely manner via telephone calls, notes, emails and conferences. Interpreters will be provided as needed.
- ✓ Communicate with all families and the community on a regular basis regarding school wide events and activities via phone messages, the school website, school marquee, social media, text, email, and flyers.
- ✓ Work with our parents & families to develop relevant trainings and helpful presentations to educate our staff on the importance of parent & family engagement.
- ✓ Throughout the school year the school will provide training and materials for parents & families to help parents & families work with their children to improve student achievement. Materials and instructional resources will be available in the parent & family resource center.
- ✓ Collaborate with community leaders and business groups to increase participation and awareness of the school parent & family engagement policy/plan and activities.
- ✓ Provide parent & family workshops to help further enhance their various education backgrounds.
- ✓ Listen and respond to parents' & family's requests for additional support for parent & family engagement activities.

Title I Parent Advisory Council

Adamson Middle School invites all parents to join the Title I Parent Advisory 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 at any school activities and meetings, as well as through our parent surveys and comment box located outside of the front office. If you would like to learn more about the Title I Parent Advisory Council, please contact the principal at (770) 968-2925 or complete the nomination form and leave it in the Main Office.

Parent & Family Engagement Standards

Adamson Middle School and our parents & families have adopted Dr. Joyce Epstein's Six Types of Parent and Family Engagement framework: Parenting, Communicating, Volunteering, Learning at Home, Decision Making and Collaborating with the Community for Family-School Partnerships as the school's model in engaging parents, students, and the community. For more information on how to get involved at Adamson Middle School, please contact Ms. Adesumbo Adefioye, Title I Parent Liaison at (770)968-2925 ext. 519124 or adesumbo.adebioye@clayton.k12.ga.us.



Title I Parent Advisory Council (Indian PAC)

- Yes, I am interested in becoming a part of the Title I Parent Resource Center Parent Advisory Council (Indian PAC)*
- Please send me notifications about future meetings and council updates*
- Please contact me so I can learn more about becoming a school volunteer*

Name: _____

Child's Name and Grade: _____

Address: _____

Phone Number: _____

Email address: _____

Share Your Thoughts

We want to hear from you. If you have any suggestions or if there is any part of this Parent & Family Engagement Policy/Plan that you feel is not satisfactory with the student's and the school's goals for academic achievement, please provide us with your comments in the space provided and return this form to Ms. Adefioye, Title I Parent Liaison.

Name: _____

Telephone Number: _____

Comments:

