Taylor County High School

Parental Involvement Plan

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What is Title I?

Taylor County High School (TCHS) 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 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 with all parents written parental involvement plan.

TCHS's Plan for Shared Student Success

What is it?

Our Parent Involvement Plan is a plan that outlines what we will provide for parents and guardians, and how we will work together to strengthen the academic success of each student in our school. Our Parent Involvement Plan is based upon our school goals for student academic achievement and is developed jointly by school staff and parents/guardians. This plan describes the different ways that TCHS will support parent engagement and how parents can help plan and participate in activities/events to promote student learning at school and at home.

How is it revised?

The TCHS Parent Involvement Plan is updated annually. TCHS invited all parents to attend our annual Title I Parent Input meeting this fall to review and revise the parental involvement plan, as well as the schoolwide plan, our school-parent compact and the parental involvement budget. Additionally, parent input and comments regarding this plan are welcome during the school year through email correspondence. 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 (hard copy and online) and ask parents for their suggestions on the plan and the use of funds for parental involvement. 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. TCHS will provide full opportunity for the participation of parents with limited English, parents with disabilities and parents of migratory children.

Where is it available?

TCHS distributes the Parent Involvement Plan to all parents and guardians of students in our school, and is available on our school website, and in our Parent Resource Center. Translation of all information will be provided upon request.

School-Parent Compacts

As part of this plan, TCHS and our families will develop a school-parent compact, which is an agreement that parents, teachers, and students will develop that explains how parents and teachers will work together to make sure all our students reach grade-level standards. The compacts will be reviewed and updated annually based on feedback from parents, other stakeholders and teachers during the spring planning and input meeting. The school-parent compacts are kept with each child's teacher if parents need a copy.

You Are Invited

Taylor County High School will host the following events to build the capacity for strong parental involvement to support partnership among the school, parents, and the community to improve student academic achievement. Meetings and activities will be provided at a variety of times to help accommodate parent/guardian schedules. All parents will receive notification of and invitation to events in school correspondence, the local newspaper, school social media outlets, and the school marquee.

Our 2022-2023 Events

Meet the Teacher - July 28, 2022 5:30-7:00 p.m.

Every year, parents are invited to meet their child's teacher and our friendly, helpful school staff.

Annual Title I Meeting -October 2022 (10:00-10:45a.m.) or (5:00 p.m.-5:45p.m.)

We invite you to an evening of learning and sharing about our Title I program, including our parental involvement policy, the schoolwide plan, the school-parent compacts, and parents' requirements. Invitations will be posted on the school website, school marquee, school social media outlets, local newspaper, and school handbook.

<u>Open House – October 2022 (6:00 p.m.-7:00 p.m.)</u>

Visit our school to have casual discussions with school faculty and staff about learning activities and expectations for students.

<u>College Fair Night – September/October 2022</u>

Parents will be informed of how to locate, complete, and submit the FAFSA (free application for federal student aid application.

Parent/Teacher Conferences-as needed-contact by teacher email or appointment

Parents are invited to participate in these opportunities to partner with school staff to discuss your child's academic progress.

Spring Planning and Input Meeting – February 2023 (10:00a.m. and 6:00p.m.)

We invite you to jointly develop and revise our parent involvement plan, school-wide plan, school-parent compact, and parent involvement budget.

Course Registration and Dual Enrollment Parent Meeting Grades 10-12 - March 2023

Parents will be informed of the requirements for student participation in the Dual Enrollment program.

Rising Freshman Orientation/Parent Meeting – March 2023

Parents of rising freshmen will receive valuable information about the expectations for freshman students regarding courses, Carnegie units, graduation requirements, and extracurricular activities.

Parental Involvement

Parent Resource Center

Come visit the Parent Resource Center (in the high school office) to check out books, study materials, and informational brochures to use at home with your child. Computers are available for parents to explore the Parent Portal and educational resources. The Parent Resource Center is available on Monday – Friday from 7:30 am – 3:30 pm . TCHS 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.

Dory Bernard, TCHS Parental Involvement Coordinator 478-862-3314 bernard.dory@taylorboe.org

Our Beliefs About Parental Involvement

TCHS believes that parental involvement means the participation of parents in regular two-way, and meaningful communication involving student academic learning and other school activities. As a school, we will provide opportunities for parents to:

- play an integral role in assisting their child's learning;
- be actively involved in their child's education at school;
- be 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;
- be engaged in other activities as described in this plan.

We Need You!

TCHS will take the following measures to promote and support parents as equal partners in supporting student achievement:

- Provide information in an understandable format, as requested. The request may be made to the child's teacher, to the front office, or Family Engagement Coordinator, Dory Bernard. The request can be communicated via phone at (478)862-3314, by email to bernard.dory@taylorboe.org, or in person at 24 Oak Street, Butler, GA 31006
- Provide professional learning with staff on parent involvement practices which include parent
 conferences, use of parent resource center materials, and effective communication strategies in reaching
 out to parents to build relationships.
- Establish partnerships with businesses and higher education institutions to provide learning opportunities and transitional support to allow for more participation of parents to help students become career and college ready.
- Provide the school's academic standards, assessments, and ways to monitor their child's progress through school websites, media announcements, and meetings.
- Inform all families and community stakeholders on a consistent basis information about school wide events and activities, using local newspaper, flyers, marquee, social media, website.
- Use parent feedback to determine professional learning needs of our staff as it pertains to parent engagement and to embrace partnerships with families.
- Supply parents with necessary materials at conferences, meetings, and workshops to help parents work with their child to improve their achievement.
- Communicate with local stakeholders to increase participation and awareness of the school parent involvement plan and activities through the school website.
- Provide parents information on ways to enhance their education upon request, and share information in regards to community-based opportunities.
- Solicit feedback and provide parent support for additional parental involvement activities through feedback options, surveys, and meetings.

Parental Involvement Standards

TCHS 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 as follows:
 □ Welcoming All Families □ Communicating Effectively □ Supporting Student Success □ Speaking Up for Every Child □ Sharing Power □ Collaborating with Community
School Community Team
TCHS invites all parents to join the School Community Team to share ideas and ways to involve other parents to build partnerships with school, families, and the community. The team will meet several 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 website. If you would like to learn more about the School Community Team, please contact the principal at (478) 862-3314 or complete the interest form and leave it in the Main Office.
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School Community Team Interest Form
Yes, I am interested and wish to join the School Community Team Please contact me so I can learn more by joining the School Community Team. Please send me notifications about future meetings and updates
Name:
Child's Name and Grade:
Address:
Phone Number:
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 or aligned 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)