

# RISE Preparatory School

## *Parent and Family Engagement Plan for Shared Scholar Success*

2020-2021 School Year

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### **What is Title I?**

RISE Prep is identified as a Title I school as part of the Every Scholar 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 scholars. Title I programs must be based on effective means of improving scholar 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 plan.



## School Plan for Shared Scholar Achievement

### What is it?

In support of strengthening scholar academic achievement, RISE Prep 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 plan that contains information required by section 1116(b) and (c) of the Every Scholar Succeeds Act (ESSA). The plan 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, and it is incorporated into the schoolwide plan submitted to the local educational agency (LEA).



### How is it revised?

RISE Prep invites all parents and community members to attend our annual input meeting last spring and every spring to review and revise this parent and family engagement plan along with the schoolwide plan, our school-family compact and the family engagement budget. Additionally, parent input and comments regarding this plan are welcome throughout the school year through the online forms as well as physical forms in the Parent Resource Suite. This plan is posted on the school website in English and Spanish for parent access to submit feedback throughout the school year. All 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 hand, sent home with scholars 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 including our culture events and principal conversations.

### Who is it for?

All scholars 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. RISE Prep will provide full opportunity for the participation of parents and family members with limited English, migrant families or with disabilities.

### Where is it available?

This Parent and Family Engagement Plan along with the School-Family Compact will be available on the school's website along with being available in the Parent Resource Suite.



## Let's Get Together!

RISE Prep will host the following events to build the capacity for strong family engagement to support a partnership among the school, families and the community to improve scholar academic achievement. Meetings (\*) for parents and family members will be held twice during the day in the morning and in the evening. To promote the protection of our families and staff, all meetings are held virtually through the Google Meets platform. When the science allows us to return, the meetings may be held in person but will continue to be held virtually.



**Scholar Achievement**                      **People & Culture**  
**Community Collaboration**            **Fiscal Responsibility**  
 (For measurable outcomes and to review the strategic plan 2022, visit [www.fultonschools.org/domain/282](http://www.fultonschools.org/domain/282))

### 2020-2021 RISE Preparatory Goals

- > Increase the percentage of scholars in grades 6, 7, and 8 who perform at the Proficient Learner Level and above in ELA and Math by three (3) percentage points as measured by formal assessments including but not limited to the 2021 Georgia Milestones Assessment.
- > Decrease the percentage of scholars in grades 6, 7 and 8 who perform at the Beginning Learner Level in ELA and Math by three (3) percentage points as measured by formal assessments including but not limited to the 2021 Georgia Milestones Assessment.

### School-Family Compact

As part of this plan, RISE Prep and our families developed a school-family compact, which is an agreement that parents, teachers and scholars develop that explains how stakeholders will work together to ensure all scholars reach grade-level standards. The compacts are reviewed and revised annually based on feedback from families, scholars and teachers during the Title I Input period meeting. The school-family compacts are shared through the school's website and used for guidance with parents during parent-teacher conferences. It is kept by each scholar's teacher and in the Parent Resource Suite if families need a copy.

Family On-Boarding – July/August 2020

Open House – August 13, 2020

Parent Input Meeting – September 25, 2020 (Qualtrics Feedback Survey)

Annual Title I Parent Meeting – October 16, 2020

Transition Meetings – November 18, 2020 (HS Night), May, 2021 (5<sup>th</sup> Grade visit)

Building Staff Capacity (Fall & Spring) – August 4, 2020, January 4, 2021

Monthly Title I Parent Meetings/Family Night – 4<sup>th</sup> Wednesday of the Month

Hispanic Heritage Month – September 15-October 15, 2020

Copyright Piracy – October 21, 2020

Computer Usage 101 for Parents – October 2020

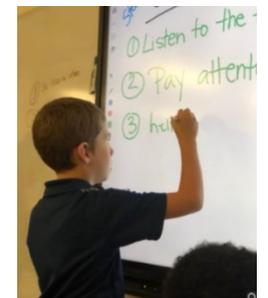
Math Night – November 4, 2020/Literacy Night – November 4, 2020

Georgia Milestones Preparation – January 2021

African American History Month – February 2021

Title I Input meeting – March 17, 2021

Mothers' Luncheon – May 13, 2021



## Parent Resource Suite

Come visit and take advantage of the Parent Resource Suite. Find and check out books, study materials and activities to use at home with your scholar. Computers are available for families support virtual academics and to explore the parent portal on Infinite Campus as well as to examine and practice with the software resources used by the school.

### ***Parent Resource Suite Hours of Operation***

***8:00 AM – 2:00 PM***

***Monday through Thursday***

## Parent & Family Engagement

Parent and Family Engagement means the participation of parents in regular, two-way, and meaningful communication involving scholar 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

Note: RISE Prep is committed to helping our families attend the activities listed in this plan. Please call or text (404) 775-6534, or email [jgoodmancook@theriseschools.org](mailto:jgoodmancook@theriseschools.org) for assistance.

## Communications

RISE Preparatory School will take the following actions to provide parents of participating scholars the following:

- (A) Timely information about the Title I programs.
- (B) Attendance access helping our parents and families attend the family engagement activities listed in this plan. If transportation or childcare prevents your participation in family engagement activities, you may contact the parent liaison or school representative for more information or assistance. Provisions are also made such as flexible number of meetings, such as meetings in the morning or evening, home visits, as such services relate to parent and family engagement.
- (C) 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.
- (D) Information distribution by hand, email, ClassDoJo, on the school website, during meetings, via social media as well as available in the Parent Resource Suite and in the main office.
- (E) The residential facilities for students in the RISE attendance area are included in the family engagement correspondence and activities

## Reservation of Funds

RISE Prep is taking the 1% allocation of reserved funds and dedicated it to salary for the parent liaison. Other uses include resources for parents to borrow for use at home for building scholar academic confidence.

## Coordination of Services

RISE Prep will meet this criteria by issuing invitations for rising grade 6 scholars within the school and community so perspective scholars will have the opportunity to get to know the school. Partnerships with local elementary schools will be forged. Tours for interested families will be offered. Families will have the opportunity to see the work and the level of rigor of the work to inform them of how the challenge the growth of the scholars.

Partnerships with local high schools and other options will be forged for 8<sup>th</sup> grade scholars look to for desired academic challenge and post high school opportunities and expectations.

## Building Capacity for School Staff

RISE Prep will provide training to educate teachers and staff, with the assistance of parents, in the value and utility of contributions of parents; 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 conducting staff professional development led by principal, parent liaison and/or administration sharing best practices on how to effectively communicate with parents. Professional development assignments for communicating with parents and parent assisted professional development sessions will also be an opportunity to build the rapport between the school and the families.

## BUILDING CAPACITY OF PARENTS

RISE Preparatory School 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 scholar 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 scholar progress, and the achievement levels of the challenging State academic standards including -

**Google Classroom:** digital classroom for work at school or at home with submission online where teachers can comment, edit, suggest and/or grade

**Eureka Math:** connects real world mathematics for scholars practical application

**Illuminate:** individualized academic monitoring along with social-emotional behavior support

**MobyMax:** interactive platform designed to fix learning glitches and gaps

**Study Island:** practice and assessment tool for real-time progress monitoring

**USATestPrep:** formative and summative assesment

**Class DoJo:** connects teachers with scholars and parents to build classroom communities

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



## IMPLEMENTATION OF THE ENGAGEMENT PLAN

RISE Preparatory School 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.

*Parents will have the opportunity to stay well-informed of their scholar's academic progress by taking advantage of:*

Parent-Teacher Conferences	Scholar-Led Report Card Conferences
Family University Nights	Curriculum Nights
School-Family Compact Distribution	Parent-Family Engagement Plan Distribution
Test Preparation Sessions	Principal's Town Halls

### Share Your Thoughts

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