



W.G. Nunn Elementary School

Parent and Family Engagement Plan

2019-2020

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What is Title I?

W. G. Nunn Elementary School 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 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 and family engagement. All Title I schools must jointly develop with all parents a written parent and family engagement policy.

What is it?

W.G. Nunn Elementary believes that in order to achieve the maximum education growth for students there must be a conscious, collaborative partnership between the parents of students and the school. The active engagement of parents in their child's education significantly increases the effectiveness of the programs offered by our school and therefore significantly contributes to the success of the child.

How is it revised?

In order to effectuate these beliefs and desires, W.G. Nunn Elementary will develop a Parental Engagement Plan each year. The Parent and Family Engagement Plan is jointly developed through the collaboration of parents and school faculty and staff. Parents are given multiple opportunities for revision and review of the plan.

Who is it for?

A partnership that bonds educators and families in working toward a common goal will be implemented through the following standards: Communication, Parenting, Student Learning, Volunteering, School Decision Making and Advocacy, and Collaboration with the Community. This opportunity is afforded to the participation of parents and family members with limited English, with disabilities, and of migratory children.

Where is it available?

The Parent and Family Engagement Plan is made available to parents and the community in multiple ways (i.e., school website, Media Center, Parent Resource Center, front lobby). W.G. Nunn will provide the plan to all parents in August at the beginning of the school year.



2019-2020 District Goals

- Increase literacy achievement for all students K-12 by five percentage points
- Increase numeracy achievement for all students K-12 by five percentage points
- Improve school culture and climate in all district schools
- Establish professional learning communities

School Goals

- W. G. Nunn will increase the percentage of students who meet the promotional Rigby benchmark level in grades K – 2 by 3%, and the grade level promotional Lexile target in grades 3 - 5 by 5%.
- W. G. Nunn will increase the percentage of all students who are proficient in numeracy by at least 5%.
- W. G. Nunn will promote a positive school climate by implementing a school-wide PBIS framework.

School-Parent Compacts

W. G. Nunn Elementary School, students participating in the Title I, Part A program, and their families, agree that a school-parent compact outlines how parents, the entire school staff, and students will share responsibility for improved student academic achievement, as well as how school and parents will build and develop a partnership that will help children achieve the State's high standards. All parents of Title I students will be provided opportunities to be involved in the joint development of the School-Parent Compact annually.

Parent and Family Engagement Activities

W. G. Nunn Elementary school will help build the capacity for strong parental engagement to support a partnership among the school, parents, and the community to improve academic achievement by providing the following workshops and activities:

- Parent Input Meetings (Parents are invited to give feedback and suggestions concerning the School Improvement Plan, Parent and Family Engagement Plan, Parent Compacts, Building School Staff Capacity, and the Expenditure of Parent Engagement Funds.)
- Annual Title I Meeting
- STEAM (Science, Technology, Engineering, Art, and Math) Nights for PK-5th grade- Parents and students will participate in system-wide STEAM activities
- Spring Book Fair- Parents will visit the book fair while becoming informed of the importance and implications of Lexile levels and receive pertinent reading tips.
- Literacy Nights- Parents will be invited to participate in Literacy Night Activities.
- Test Preparation (GMAS) Workshop
- Pre-K and Kindergarten Round-Up (Parents will visit the school, receive information on preparing their child for school, how to register, mandatory documents, afterschool opportunities, etc.)
- Moving Up Days for upcoming Kindergarten through 5th grade students- Parents will learn about the curriculum for the upcoming school year and how to accelerate student learning over the summer.

Parent Resources

W.G. Nunn will ensure that information related to the school and parent programs, meetings, and other activities, is sent to parents, and provided in the parent resource area. It will be provided in an understandable and uniform format, including alternative formats upon request and in a language the parents can understand.

Parent and Family Engagement

Parental engagement is defined as the participation of parents in regular, two-way, and meaningful communication involving student academic learning and other school activities, including ensuring:

1. That parents play an integral role in assisting in their child's learning;
2. That parents are encouraged to be actively involved in their child's education at school;
3. That parents are full partners in their child's education and are included, as appropriate, in decision-making, on advisory committees, and in building capacity with staff on the education of their children;

W.G. Nunn is committed to helping our parents and families receive information shared at all parent engagement events and activities listed in this policy. Please contact Dr. Davesha Miller, W.G. Nunn Parent Engagement Coordinator at (229)333-8575 or dmiller@gocats.org.

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- W.G. Nunn Elementary will build the school's and parent's capacity for strong parental engagement, in order to ensure effective engagement of parents and to support a partnership between the school, parents, and the community to improve student academic achievement.
- W.G. Nunn Elementary will provide assistance to parents of children served by our Title I School, as appropriate, in understanding topics identified as needing to be addressed through the annual parent survey.
- W.G. Nunn Elementary will provide materials and training to help parents work with their children to improve their children's academic achievement, such as literacy training, and using technology, as appropriate, to foster parental involvement.
- W.G. Nunn Elementary will educate its teachers, pupils, service personnel, principals, and other staff, with the input from parents in how to communicate and work with parents as equal partners, in the value and utility of contributions of parents, and in how to implement and coordinate parent programs and build ties between parents, schools, and the community.
- W.G. Nunn Elementary, along with Valdosta City Schools, will provide opportunities for community programs, such as Head Start, and parents of pre-school children to receive and understand information and activities to help their children transition into school successfully.
- W.G. Nunn 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, for all families.
- W.G. Nunn will share information in English and Spanish in the school newsletter for parents to understand the school's academic standards and assessments as well as the ways parents can monitor their child's progress and work with educators.

PARENT AND FAMILY ENGAGEMENT STANDARDS

W. G. Nunn 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:

1. Welcoming All Families
2. Communicating Effectively
3. Supporting Student Success
4. Speaking Up for Every Child
5. Sharing Power
6. Collaborating with Community

Parent Advisory Council

W. G. Nunn Elementary will establish a Parent Advisory Council to provide advice on all matters related to parental engagement. Input from the Parent Advisory Council will be given for parental engagement activities by providing evaluation methods after activities and workshops. This support will be evidenced by dated sign in sheets and agendas, letters to parents, emails, text messages, training materials, flyers and announcements. If you would like to learn more about the Parent Advisory Council contact Dr. Davesha Miller, W.G. Nunn Parent Engagement Coordinator at (229)333-8575 or dmiller@gocats.org.

Parent Advisory Council

- Yes, I am interested and wish to join the Parent Advisory Council
- Please contact me so I can learn more in joining the Parent Advisory Council
- Please send me notifications about future meetings and updates.

Name: _____

Child's Name and Grade: _____

Address: _____

Phone Number: _____

Email address: _____

Parent Comments

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 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 front office:

Name: (optional) _____

Telephone Number: (optional) _____

