

E. W. Oliver Elementary School

Parental Involvement Policy and Plan for Shared Student Success

2016–2017 School Year

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What is Title I?

E. W. Oliver Elementary 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 written parental involvement policy. E. W. Oliver Elementary involved all parents, students, and teachers in the spring of 2016 to acquire their input. Our school hosted 3 input meetings, which were April 26 -29, 2016. However, May 10, 2016 a copy of the parental involvement policy input form was distributed to all students to take home to their parents. Parents were notified via school messenger, monthly parental involvement calendar, a flyer that was sent home and the school marquee. Parents were asked to provide input on the parental involvement policy. All teachers signed acknowledging that they received and sent home the Parental Involvement Policy input form.

School Plan for Shared Student Achievement

What is it?

This is a plan that describes how E. W. Oliver Elementary will provide opportunities to improve parent engagement to support student learning. E. W. Oliver Elementary values the contributions and involvement of parents to establish an equal partnership for the common goal of improving student achievement. This plan describes different ways E. W. Oliver Elementary will support parent engagement and how parents can help plan and participate in activities and events to promote student learning at school and at home. E. W. Oliver will engage all parents through academic parent academy workshops, local school council committee, and parental involvement committee. Parents of E. W. Oliver are asked to provide suggestions throughout the year in the Parent Resource Center.

How is it revised?

E. W. Oliver Elementary School invited all parents to attend 3 parental involvement policy meetings during the spring 2015 to review and revise the parental involvement policy as well as our school-parent compact. Additionally, parent input and comments regarding this plan were welcomed during the school year and a paper copy was available in the parent resource center. All parent feedback received during the year will be used to revise the plan for the next school year. We distributed an annual survey online at this link http://clayton.col.qualtrics.com/jfe/form/SV_1AeX97xaxnDQ6cR, also by paper on April 18, 2016, email, and text to ask parents for their suggestions on the plan and the use of funds for parental involvement. Some surveys were completed on online via home internet access, smartphone, in the parent resource center, or on the paper copy sent home. Parents can also give feedback during parent meetings and activities during the school year including our annual Title I meeting, parent-teacher conferences, curriculum night, GMAS night, and all other meetings/trainings held.

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. E. W. Oliver Elementary will provide opportunity for the participation of parents with limited English, parents with disabilities and parents of migratory children.

Where is it available?

At the beginning of the year, the plan is included on our school website, in the parent resource center, and front office. All parents will receive a paper copy sent home by students. As a reminder, a paper copy will be made available for pickup in the front office prior to start of school and at the parent resource information table at the scheduled open house for all parents in August. The plan will also be posted on the school Web site.

2016-17 District Goals

All schools in the district will increase by 3% as measured by the College and Career Readiness Performance Index (CCRPI).

2016-17 School Goals

E. W. Oliver will increase fluency and proficiency by 5%

The focus area are in reading and math

K: Increase site word recognition & numbers 1-100

1st-3rd: Express thoughts in writing using site words & solve math problems using varied strategies.

4th: Writing & speaking using literary evidence, solving math problems using fractions, decimals & geometry.

5th: Written comprehension of genres (narrative, informative, & argumentative), & use varied strategies & equations to solve math problems.

School-Parent Compacts

As part of this plan, E. W. Oliver Elementary 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. However, a hardcopy will be available in the parent resource center and on our school website.

Let's Get Together!

E. W. Oliver Elementary will host the following events to build the capacity for strong parental involvement to support a partnership among the school, parents, and the community to improve student academic achievement. All meetings for parents will be held during the day. In addition, parents will have the opportunity to have one on one parent workshops with our Parent Liaison.

Kindergarten Parent Academy – August 6, 2016

Learn helpful information to prepare for the school year. Meet your child's teacher and learn what to expect in the classroom, strategies that will be used to help your child advance.

Open House – August 11, 2016

Meet your child's teacher and our friendly and helpful school staff for the year.

Annual Title I Meeting – August 31, & September 1, 2016

Information about our Parental involvement policy, the schoolwide plan, the school-parent compacts, and parents' requirements will be discussed. Calendar of events will be posted on school website and calling will be made inviting all parents and guardians. Also, flyers will sent home with the 5 meeting dates and will be displayed on marquee.

Parent-Teacher Conferences – Monthly

Discussion about students' academic progress

Curriculum Night – October 20, 2016

Learn how to make reading and math fun at home.

Parent Academy Workshops – Monthly

Parents will gain insight of various topics relating to their child's academics and they can help their child succeed.

Bring your Parent to School Day – November 9, 2016

Parents visit their child's during class rotation to gain firsthand awareness into how and what strategies are used in the classroom. Knowledge acquired by the parent can be used at home.

National Parental Involvement Day – November 16, 2016

Recognizing Parents and thanking them for supporting the school and their child.

Read Across America – March 2, 2017

Catch up with the latest resources to help support your child's learning.

Career Week – Monthly

Community and school work together to present career topics and relate how academics are intertwined in core content areas.

Parent Academy Recognition – April, 2017

Connect with the school and community to build a better school and review school plans.

School Forum – May 11, 2017

A forum for parents to participate in roundtable discussions with the principal and staff regarding the schoolwide plan, parental involvement policy, school-parent compacts and the parental involvement budget.

Parent Resource Center

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

Monday – Friday, 7:15 am – 3:15 pm

Parental Involvement

E. W. Oliver Elementary believes that parental involvement means the participation of parents in regular two-way, and meaningful communication involving student academic learning and other school activities, including ensuring:

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

E. W. Oliver Elementary is committed to helping our parents attend the parental activities listed in this plan. Please call or email us if there are any question in regards to parental involvement.

Our parent liaison is Dr. Lisa Butler!

E. W. Oliver Elementary is Branching Out!

E. W. Oliver Elementary will take the following measures to promote and support parents 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 programs, meetings, and other activities is published in English, posted on the school Web site, and included in the monthly school newsletter for all parents.

Provide monthly trainings for staff during their planning periods on strategies to improve communication with parents and ideas to increase family engagement. Staff will also share best practices during regularly scheduled faculty meetings.

Share information in English 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.

Communicate with all families and the community on a regular basis regarding schoolwide events and activities, through school calling posts, marquee, flyers, workshops, and text messages through Remind101.

Work with our parents to develop relevant trainings and helpful presentations to educate our staff on the importance of parental involvement.

Provide necessary materials and handouts for parents at conferences, meetings, and activities to help parents work with their child to improve their child's achievement. Also, information will be provided during parent academy workshops.

E. W. Oliver will allow ALL PARENTS the opportunity to provide feedback. A suggestion box will be placed in the front office lobby of our school located on our parental involvement stand.

Parental Involvement Standards

E. W. Oliver Elementary and our parents have adopted Joyce Epstein's 6 types of parental involvement standards as the school's model in engaging parents, students, and the community. These standards are:

1. Parenting
2. Communicating Effectively
3. Learning at Home
4. Decision Making
5. Volunteering
6. Collaborating with Community

Parental Advisory Community Team

E. W. Oliver Elementary 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 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 website. If you would like to learn more about the School Council Team, please contact our Principal at (770)994-4010 or

complete the interest form and leave it in the suggestion box in the Front Office lobby.

Parental Advisory Community Team

- ☐ Yes, I am interested and wish to join the School Community Team
- ☐ Please contact me so I can learn more joining the School Community Team
- ☐ Please send me notifications about future meetings and updates

Name: _____

Child's Name and Grade: _____

Address: _____

Phone Number: _____

Email address: _____

E. W. Oliver Parents 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 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 suggestion box in the main lobby:

Print – First and Last Name :) _____

Telephone Number & Email: (optional) _____

Date: _____

Comment: _____
