



Birch Creek Elementary School

PARENT AND FAMILY ENGAGEMENT PLAN

2024 2025

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SCHOOL PLAN FOR SHARED STUDENT ACHIEVEMENT

This plan describes how Birch Creek Elementary School will provide opportunities to improve parent engagement to support student learning. Birch Creek Elementary values the contributions and involvement of parents to establish an equal partnership for the common goal of improving student achievement. This plan describes the different ways that Birch Creek Elementary will support family engagement and how parents can help plan and participate in activities and events to promote student learning at school and at home.

WHAT IS TITLE I?

Birch Creek Elementary School is one of 24 Henry County Schools identified as a Title I school under the Every Student 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 students. Title I Programs must be based on effective means of improving student achievement and include strategies to support family engagement. All Title I schools must jointly develop with parents a written Parent and Family

Engagement Plan
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How Is It Develop?

Birch Creek Elementary School welcomes parent input and comments at any time regarding the plan. All parent feedback will be used to revise the plan for next year. It is posted on our school website for parents to view and post feedback throughout the year. We also distribute an annual survey online and by communication folders to ask parents for their suggestions on the plan and the use of funds for parent engagement. Parents can also give input during our School Council and Family Input meetings to revise the plan for the upcoming school year. During the Annual Evaluation in the spring, we will hold another Family Input meeting and parents can share their thoughts about the School Wide Plan. Any unsatisfactory comments or suggestions will be submitted to the district with the principal's Annual Evaluation report.

School-Parent Compact

As part of this plan, BCE families develop a School-Parent Compact for student success. This compact is an agreement that parents, teachers, and students develop together that explains how they will partner to make sure all our students reach grade-level standards. The compact is reviewed and updated throughout the school year based on feedback collected during forums, surveys, and academic workshops. The School-Parent Compact is shared during conferences, sent home, posted on the school website, and kept in the Family Resource Center.

Parent & Family Engagement

Birch Creek Elementary believes that family engagement means the participation of parents and family in consistent, two-way, meaningful communication involving student academic learning and other school activities which include ensuring that:

- Parents are encouraged to be actively involved in their child's education at school.
- Parents are full partners in their child's education and are included, as appropriate, in decision-making and participating on advisory committees to assist in the education of their child.

BIRCH CREEK ELEMENTARY IS BRANCHING OUT

Birch Creek Elementary will take the following measures to promote and support parents as an important foundation of the school 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 both English and Spanish, posted on the school website, and included in the monthly school newsletter for all parents.
- Provide trainings for staff on strategies to improve communication with parents and ideas to increase family engagement. Staff will also share best practices during regularly scheduled faculty meetings.
- Partner with early childhood programs to help prepare parents and their children for successful school transitioning.
- Share information in English and Spanish on the school website and 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 school wide events and activities, through phone messages, social media, emails, Newsletters, and flyers.
- 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 families at parent conferences, meetings, and activities to help parents work with their child to improve their child's achievement.
- Use our Partners in Education to improve awareness of the activities and events listed in the school Parent and Family Engagement Plan.
- Collect feedback from parents at all events, place input card around the building and post suggestion form on the school website to respond to parents request for additional support for parental involvement activities.

"Foundation of Knowledge"



Birch Creek Elementary Goals For Student Achievement

- Increase the percentage of students present more than 90% of enrolled days for the 24-25 school year
- Increase the percentage of 3rd grade students reading on or above grade level by 5%
- Increase the percentage of Kindergarten students reading on or above grade level by 5%

Language Assistance

If at any time you need our newsletter or other documents translated into another language, please let the office staff know and we will be happy to provide you with that resource

BIRCH CREEK ELEMENTARY LET'S CONNECT!

Birch Creek Elementary will host the following events to build the capacity for strong family engagement to support a partnership among families, teachers, staff, and the community to improve student academic achievement.

TITLE I EVENTS

- October 29, 2024 @ 5:30Pm Virtual Meeting
**The Annual Title I Parent Meeting is a meeting that schools host to inform parents about the Title I Program and their right to be involved in their child's education.
- Parent Engagement Night (Parent Teacher Conference): November 2024
- Literacy Night: November 2024
- Math Night: December 2024
- Technology Event: March 2025
- Testing and Assessment Event: March 2025
- Kindergarten Transition Meeting May 2025
- Spring Input Meeting May 2025

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SHARE YOUR THOUGHTS

WE WANT TO HEAR FROM YOU
IF YOU HAVE SUGGESTIONS OR IF THERE IS
ANY PART OF THIS PLAN THAT YOU FEEL
NEEDS ATTENTION. PLEASE PROVIDE US
WITH YOUR COMMENTS IN THE SPACE
PROVIDED AND SEND TO THE CIE FRONT
OFFICE.

NAME: (Optional) _____
TELEPHONE NUMBER: (Optional) _____
WHAT ARE THE AGES OF YOUR CHILDREN AND
WHAT SCHOOL(S) DO THEY ATTEND? _____

WHAT ARE SOME OF THE IDEAS YOU WOULD
LIKE TO SHARE WITH US? _____

"All parent and family engagement correspondence, opportunities, services, and resources, will also include students and staff affiliated with A Friend's House."

FAMILY RESOURCE CENTER

We invite you to visit the Family Resource Center to check out materials and activities to use at home with your child. We have books, study resources, and games that make learning fun!

Birch Creek Elementary is committed to helping our families attend parental activities. Please call or email us if you need assistance with childcare, or virtual links at
(478) 483-0477 or nikjovnia.parks@henry.k12.ga.us

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BUILDING STAFF CAPACITY

Each Title I school shall educate teachers, specialized instructional support personnel, principals, and other school leaders with the assistance of parents, in the value and utility of contributions of parents and 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. After a review of our parent survey Cotton Indian Staff will receive ongoing training and support on the following topics:

- Providing meaningful feedback
- Cultural family awareness
- Developing effective school and parent partnership
- Empowering parents to support their child

HENRY COUNTY SCHOOLS DISTRICT GOALS 2024-2025

Priority Student Outcome 1:

We will advance opportunities, access, and outcomes for every student group in Literacy Proficiency at every grade.

1. Students prepared and ready to begin Kindergarten.
2. Student participation in advance coursework at every level.
3. Students demonstrating social and emotional health and readiness.

Priority Student Outcome 2:

We will advance opportunities, access, and outcomes for every student group in Readiness to Learn at every level.

1. Reading growth from grade to grade.
2. Reading and writing "on or above" grade level.
3. Access for every child to diverse grade level content, literature, resources, and world language programs.

Priority Student Outcome 3:

We will advance opportunities, access, and outcomes for every student group in College, Career, and Life Ready skills post graduation.

1. HS graduates meeting competitive acceptance requirements for the University System of Georgia colleges and universities, and qualification for Zell Miller Scholarships.
2. HS graduates meeting college readiness benchmarks in ELA and Math.
3. HS graduates successfully completing industry certification, persisting through post secondary degree programs, and/or eligible for high-skilled workforce options.
4. Students completing career inventories, internships/apprenticeships, and industry certifications.
5. Students demonstrating competency in financial literacy, soft skills, and transition goals (ESE).
6. Participation and performance of students on nationally comparative metrics.