

BEAVER RIDGE ELEMENTARY

THE PLAN... THE PROMISE...

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WHAT IS A FAMILY AND COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT PLAN?

It is a plan that describes how our school will provide opportunities to improve family engagement that will support student learning at school and at home. All students and their families are invited and encouraged to fully participate in the opportunities described in this plan. The school will provide information and as many opportunities as possible for the participation of all family members.

WHAT IS A SCHOOL-FAMILY PROMISE?

It is a written agreement that outlines how the school, the students, and the family will work together to ensure your child's academic success. An effective School-Family Promise contains the following elements:

- Clear learning goals that are linked to the school's improvement plan
 - Specific skills students will learn during the year
 - Strategies that staff, families, and students will use to improve student learning
 - Ways to extend learning at home
 - Methods teachers and family members will use to communicate about student progress
 - Opportunities for family members to observe and participate in the classroom
 - Jointly-developed by families, school staff, students, community business partners, and other stakeholders during our Planning Meeting
 - Reviewed and revised throughout the year.
- At Beaver Ridge, the School-Family Promise is revisited during Parent Teacher Conferences, at Parent Workshops, and periodically throughout the year.

LET'S TALK

Beaver Ridge is committed to frequent two-way communication with families about student learning. Some of the ways we can foster effective communication include:

- Parent/Teacher Conferences
- Daily Agenda Books
- Friday Folders
- Parent Portal
- Email and Phone Conferences
- School Events and Parent Workshops
- Teacher's e-Class page

If you need interpretation and/or translation services, please contact Ms. Gina Alonso at 770-447-2680

ACTIVITIES TO BUILD OUR PARTNERSHIP

- Title 1 Planning Meeting
- English Classes
- Technology Classes
- Curriculum Night
- Parent Workshops
- AKS@Home
- Title 1 Annual Parent Meeting
- Parent/Teacher Conferences (Oct. 18-19 & March 6-7)
- STEM Night
- Candlelight luncheon
- Literacy Night
- International Night
- Kindergarten Transition Meeting
- Celebration of Learning
- 5th Grade Bridging Ceremony



ENGAGING AND EMPOWERING FAMILIES WITH...

- ❖ **Title I Program Information:** Program information is available during the Title I Planning Meeting in the spring and Annual Parent Meetings in the fall, on the school website, and in the Parent Center.
- ❖ **Curriculum Information:** Knowing what your child is learning at school is important. We will keep you informed throughout the year about what your child is learning during parent meetings, conferences, eCLASS, and on our school website.
- ❖ **Student Progress Monitoring:** The Parent Portal is an online resource that allows families to view grades, attendance, schedules, assessment, and your child's results, course history, and much more. Monitoring your child's progress in school is an important way to be engaged.
- ❖ **Parent Resources:** We have many resources available for checkout to use at home with your child. We also host several parent workshops to empower you as you work with your child at home.
- ❖ **Staff Training:** We will train our staff to effectively communicate with you. Your input on how we train our staff is valuable.
- ❖ **Communication:** We will communicate, to the extent feasible, all information with you in a language and format you understand. Whenever possible, we will provide interpreters during parent workshops, and academic events. Translation is available for most documents.
- ❖ **Transition Support:** Entering a new school can be scary for both students and families. We will host events to make sure both you and your child are aware of what is expected and how you can prepare

as your child transitions to a new school level, college, and career.

WHERE IS THE PLAN AVAILABLE?

The Family and Community Engagement Plan and all other Title I information are available on our school's website at <https://www.gcpsk12.org/BeaverRidgeES> under the Title 1 Section. Families can also find paper copies of this Family and Community Plan in our Parent Center.

HOW IS THE PLAN DEVELOPED AND REVISED?

It is reviewed and revised at least annually during the Planning Meeting in the spring. All feedback forms from the Planning Meeting are submitted to the Office of Federal Programs for review. Families who are not able to attend the Planning Meeting have the opportunity to review draft documents and provide input during the draft document review period.

COMMUNICATION

We, at Beaver Ridge, communicate with parents in a family friendly format by providing communication in a language that parents can understand. School documents are sent home and interpreters are provided at family events when applicable. Monthly newsletters, flyers, social media school, e-class landing page, and the school website are also used as a communication tool to reach our families.

If you would like to discuss the progress of your child, meetings must be scheduled in advance and at a time when class is not in session. Staff hours are 7:30 am -3:15pm. Calls to teachers will be returned within 24 hours. If you have an immediate concern, please ask to speak with an administrator.

DID YOU KNOW?

- ✓ Title I is a federal program designed to support school reform efforts to improve teaching and learning for all students.
- ✓ Title I programs are based on effective means of improving student achievement and include strategies to support family engagement.
- ✓ The Title I Office reserves at least one percent of the district's allocation to fund family and community engagement programs. The use of these funds is based on suggestions gathered at our spring Planning Meetings from families and community members. Funds are distributed equally to all our Title I schools.
- ✓ Childcare and/or transportation may be provided for meetings and school events.

The mission
of Beaver Ridge
Elementary School is
to develop lifelong
learners achieving
academic and
personal excellence.

OUR DISTRICT GOALS

Empathy: Cultural competence, staff and student wellbeing, educator diversity.

Equity: Multi-tiered system of supports, opportunity and access, equitable resource allocation.

Effectiveness: Results-Based evaluation system, talent management, educational return on investment.

Excellence: Preferred education destination, post-secondary and workforce readiness, world-class communication and engagement.

OUR SCHOOL GOALS

We will provide all students with high quality curriculum and instruction in a supportive and effective learning environment to meet high academic standards.

Beaver Ridge ES will work to focus on the 4 strategic priorities to support students and staff with meeting a sense of belonging and psychological safety. Beaver Ridge will use a Multi-tiered system to implement processes and procedures to monitor teaching practices to decrease the number of students performing at the lowest performing level.

Beaver Ridge will target foundational early learning reading and comprehension skills to become fluent readers. During math students will practice math number sense. Beaver Ridge students will also engage in small groups and collaborate.

WORKING TOGETHER TO ENSURE SUCCESS

Beaver Ridge Elementary will...



- Provide parent workshops to teach parents math number sense and reading comprehension and fluency strategies to use at home.
- Provide parents with resources available for check out in the Parent Center to support student learning.
- Teach parents how to use the school’s website and locate links to help build student knowledge in math number sense and reading comprehension and fluency.

Offer School Events where families can participate in games and activities to practice targeted skills at home

Principal’s Signature

Date

As Students, we will...



- Practice the math number sense and reading comprehension skills/fluency strategies my parents learned at the workshops.
- Use the games and activities from the Parent Center to strengthen my learning.
- Play games shared at school events to extend my learning.

As Families, we will...



- Attend Parent Workshops to learn about strategies that will help me support my child in math and reading at home.
- Check out parent resources from the Parent Center such as math and literacy games to use with my child at home.
- Use the school webpage to access websites and other links that will help me support my child in math and reading at home.
- Practice the math and reading games shared at school events.

VISIT OUR FAMILY ENGAGEMENT CENTER

Our Family Engagement Center has learning games, books, and many other resources available for families to check out and use at home. Our Parent Outreach Liaison or Parent Instructional Coordinator is Giselle Gomez. She is available to help you find resources, navigate the Parent Portal, connect with teachers, and learn about ways you can help your children at home.

Our Family Engagement Center is located at room 1.199 and is open from 8:30 am - 2:30 pm

Please contact Giselle Gomez for additional information about our Family Engagement Center and resources available for check-out.

770-326-8093

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We appreciate volunteers! Volunteers are needed in our Media Center and our Parent Center. If you are interested in volunteering, please contact Giselle Gomez.

Parents wishing to observe in a classroom must make an appointment with an administrator at least 1 day in advance. Observations are limited in order to reduce disruptions to normal classroom routines.