

BALDWIN ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

THE PLAN... THE PROMISE...

2024-2025



**“Engage and Motivate Students to
Achieve Excellence”**

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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
- Opportunities to review the School-Family Promise will be provided to families during fall and spring Parent Teacher Conferences.

LET’S TALK

Baldwin Elementary 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, ParentSquare, Parent Portal, phone calls, and email. *If you need interpretation or translation services, please contact: Dr. Viviane Moore or Evelyn Torres 770-277-7787.*

ACTIVITIES TO BUILD OUR PARTNERSHIP

Baldwin Elementary is proud to partner with our families through school wide events and workshops throughout the year. Please joins us for the following events and more!

- Curriculum Night
- Annual Title 1 Meeting
- Fall & Spring Parent Conferences
- Trunk or Treat
- Humanities Night
- Literacy Night
- Math Night
- Norcross Cluster Innovation Showcase
- Technology Parent Workshops
- Literacy Parent Workshops
- Kindergarten Transition Meeting



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 gcpsk12.org/baldwines under the Title I Section. Families can also find paper copies of this Family and Community Engagement Plan in our Family Engagement Center. New students who register after the school year begins will be given the Title 1 information at the time of registration.

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 promote effective two-way communication with our families. We strive to provide information that is accessible to all families by reducing educational jargon used in the presented information. We also work to provide information in your home language when possible.

How to schedule a meeting/conference: If you would like to schedule a meeting or conference, please contact our Parent Outreach Liaison by phone or email to schedule an appointment.

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.

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.



Our Mission:

Engage and Motivate Students to Achieve 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.

Examples of K-5 Targeted Literacy Foundational Skills:

K: Ask/Answer questions about the text

1: Compare and contrast stories

2: Read for fluency and comprehension

3: Cite text evidence

4: Determine theme/main idea

5: Compare theme across genres

Examples of K-5 Targeted Math Foundational Skills:

K: Fluently add and subtract (mentally, orally) within 5

1: Develop strategies for addition and subtraction within 20

2: Use standard units of measurement

3: Describe and analyze two dimensional shapes

4: Develop an understanding of decimal notation of fractions, and compare decimal fractions

5: Develop a fluency within addition and subtraction of fraction

WORKING TOGETHER TO ENSURE SUCCESS

Baldwin Elementary School will...

- Teach parents Quality-Plus teaching strategies to use at home to increase the problem-solving skills of their children
- Teach parents computer skills necessary to communicate with the school system such as creating and utilizing an email account and Parent Portal account
- Facilitate Parent Workshops to provide strategies that families and students can use at home to improve student achievement in Reading and Math.



Dr. Brenda F. Johnson

Principal's Signature

5/10/24

Date

As Students, we will...

- Give our parents/guardians all school notices
- Spend time at home daily reading
- Spend time at home daily practicing math problem solving
- View my teacher's eCLASS page regularly to obtain assignments/extra help



As Families, we will...

- Attend Parent Teacher conferences twice a year to discuss student learning and strategies used in the classroom



- Attend Parent Workshops and academic events to learn about strategies used in the classrooms and promote student engagement
- Support reading and math instruction at home by using teacher designed activities to promote reading comprehension, numeracy, and problem solving

VISIT OUR FAMILY ENGAGEMENT CENTER

Our Family Engagement Center has learning games, books, and many other resources available for families to checkout and use at home. Our Parent Instructional Coordinator is Dr. Viviane Moore and our Parent Outreach Liaison is Evelyn Torres. They are 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 on the main floor in the main hallway next to the media center.

Baldwin's Family Engagement Center is open 8:30-3:30

Please contact Dr. Viviane Moore and Ms. Evelyn Torres for additional information about our Family Engagement Center and resources available for check-out.

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Parent Volunteers have always been welcomed at Baldwin!
Please contact the Family Engagement Center if you are interested in volunteering!