

Nebo Elementary School

Parent and Family Engagement Plan 2021-2022

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Nebo Elementary's Parent Engagement Plan is a plan that outlines what we will provide for parents and guardians, and how we will provide opportunities to work together, to strengthen the academic success of each child in our school. This plan is developed annually with input from parents and school staff to meet the changing needs of parents and the school.

Our Parent Engagement Plan is updated every year. In early spring, a survey will be made available to all parents, and may be taken on-line or on a paper copy that is sent home to all families of our students. It is advertised through bulletins, phone calls, and in parent meetings. The survey asks for feedback on the current Parent Engagement Plan and parent engagement opportunities that took place during the school year and invites input in the development of the updated plan. Participation from parents is also sought through responses on feedback forms provided at all parent engagement meetings and other activities, the availability of a suggestion box, and meetings planned specifically for developing the plan together. Parents will also have the opportunity to provide input, through the survey and other opportunities, on how Title I funds allocated for parent engagement activities will be spent.

Nebo is a Title I School

What is Title I?

Title I is a federally funded program for schools. Nebo receives funds which are used for educational services for children to provide additional support to ensure academic success. The focus of the Title I program is on helping *all* students meet high standards. At Nebo Elementary, our Title I program provides the following:

- Teachers who work with students who can benefit from additional support
- Learning resources for students
- Professional learning resources for teachers
- Resources and activities for parents to access as they support their child academically.

Once the Plan is created, it is presented to parents and school staff (in parent engagement meetings, through the school website, and accessibility to paper copies in the school) for final agreement; it is then introduced as the Parent Engagement Plan for the current school year at the Annual Title I Parent Involvement Meeting which takes place in early fall.

Nebo Elementary's Parent Engagement Plan is distributed to families of all students in our school and is available to the local community on our school website and in our Parent Resource Center. We always strive to make continual progress in working with our parents and welcome any feedback and suggestions throughout the school year.

If this plan is not satisfactory to the parents of Nebo Elementary, the school will submit any parent comments with this plan to: Dr. Karniese Daniel, Paulding County School Title I Director at Paulding County Board of Education: 3236 Atlanta Highway, Dallas, Ga. 30132.

Communication will be presented in an understandable and uniform format. Language translation of all materials and documents, including this plan, will be provided to families upon request.

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PCSD Goals for 2021-2022 are to:

- During the 2021-2022 school year, PCSD will prepare students to increase the percent of students scoring proficient/advanced in Math, Science, ELA, and Social Studies by 3% on Georgia Milestones.
- During 2021-2022, PCSD will prepare students to increase the performance of subgroups (SED, EL, ED) in ELA by 3% on Georgia Milestones.
- During 2021-2022, PCSD will reduce the percentage of subgroups (SWD, EL, ED) assigned to OSS and ISS by 3% as reported in the student information system with subgroups.

Nebo Elementary 2021-2022 School Goals:

- Students in grades K-5 will increase proficient and advanced from 36% to 50% as measured by the Reading Inventory from August 2021 to May 2022.
- Students in grades K-5 will increase proficient and advanced from 19% to 50% as measured by the Math Inventory from August 2021 to May 2022.
- At least 85% of our students will respond to tiered intervention supports for behavior as evidenced by office discipline referrals and SWIS data analysis by receiving 1 referral or less during the 2021-2022 school year.

You are Invited ☺

Together Improving The Learning Environment

Nebo Elementary will host the following events for all families throughout the school to build the capacity for strong parental engagement to support a partnership among the school, families, and the community to improve student academic achievement. Opportunities will be offered at different times of the day and in different formats so that parents may participate.

Open House to Nebo Families - July 29th, 2:00-6:00

- ✓ Meet your child's teacher and our friendly and helpful school staff and receive important information about the school year through school web-based recordings. Parents are invited to review and to provide input in developing the following: Nebo Title I Parent and Family Engagement Plan and budget, Family-School Compacts, and the Schoolwide School Improvement Plan.

Annual Title I Meeting - Date TBD - Fall 2021

- ✓ We invite you to learn about our Title I program, including our schoolwide School Improvement Plan, Parent Involvement Budget, Family-School Compacts, Parent & Family Engagement Plan, and parents' rights under Title I. Students and their families attending Nebo Elementary School are invited to attend! Access to meeting and materials will also be available online.

Parent-Teacher and Student Conferences - October 11-14, 2021 & March 14-18, 2022

- ✓ We invite you to participate in these opportunities to partner with staff to discuss your child's academic progress!

Family Nights - Dates TBD - Fall 2021 and Spring 2022

- ✓ Learn about the different areas of your child's academics, including Literacy, Math, and Science training.
- ✓ Connect with the school and community to build a better school and review school plans.

Spring Planning and Input Meetings - Date TBD - May 2022

- ✓ We value your input and invite you to help develop our parent involvement budget, School Improvement Plan, Family-School Compacts, and Parent, Staff Capacity & Family Engagement Plan!

School-Parent Compacts

Nebo Elementary's Parent and Family Engagement Plan includes a Compact, which is developed jointly by staff, parents/guardians, and students. The Compact is an agreement that explains how parents/guardians, teachers, and students will work together in partnership to make sure that every student is supported in reaching academic success. Together we will build and develop a partnership to help children achieve the challenging State academic standards. Parents of students at Nebo Elementary school are invited to review the Compact and provide feedback and input every year. Revisions are made, based on input from parents, students, and teachers. They are shared in October at Parent-Teacher Conference time, and Compacts will be referenced throughout the year in monthly parent meetings, at Family Nights, and monthly newsletters. It will serve as a reminder of our commitment to action in supporting students. Parents of all students keep a copy of the compact.

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Definition of Parental Involvement

Parental involvement means the participation of parents in regular, two-way, and meaningful communication involving student academic learning and other school activities. As a school, we will provide opportunities for parents to:

- Play an integral role in assisting your child's learning.
- Be actively involved in your child's education at school.
- Be full partners in your child's education.
- Be included, as appropriate, in decision-making and on advisory committees to assist in the education of your child.
- Be involved in other offered informative activities.

School staff is available for meeting and appointments. We strive to deepen our partnership with you in working together to support your child's academic achievements. Appointments may be arranged by contacting Nebo Elementary at 770-443-8777.

Our Commitment

At Nebo Elementary, we support our parents/guardians in attending the parental activities included in this plan. We make every effort to communicate the details of events in several ways, including newsletters, bulletins, phone calls, and school web-site postings and we offer our meetings on flexible days and times. Please call or email us if you require further information or assistance in any way to participate in our activities.

**Please contact Ashleigh Franks, Title I ILT, with any requests for support. 770-443-8777 ext. 16004
afranks@paulding.k12.ga.us**

Nebo Elementary is Reaching Out!

Nebo 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 -

- ✓ Provide requested information related to school meetings and programs in a language that parents can understand (as requested), provide information related to involvement opportunities and events through the school website, email notifications, Remind (text), social media, Blackboard notification system, & daily classroom folders and agendas.
- ✓ Provide professional development with staff during weekly grade level meetings, faculty meetings, and early release days on parent engagement practices which include effective conferencing and communication strategies, and tips to involve parents as partners in their child's academic success.
- ✓ Establish a partnership with local Pre-K programs to provide school information and transitional support for parents to participate in the education of their child more fully. Partnerships are established through visits to neighboring Pre-K and Daycares as well as hosting tours and visits when possible.
- ✓ Provide information on school and state academic standards, assessments such as Georgia Milestones Assessments, and ways to monitor students' progress through the school website, newsletters, during monthly meetings and Family Night events.
- ✓ Provide materials and training to help parent to work with their children to improve their children's achievement, such as literacy training and using technology (including education about the harms of copyright piracy), as appropriate, to foster parent and family engagement.
- ✓ Inform families and community stakeholders on a consistent basis information about school events and activities, using Blackboard notification system, newsletters, flyers, invitations, school websites, email, social media, Remind, classroom daily folders and agendas.
- ✓ Use parent feedback to determine professional learning needs of our staff as it pertains to parent involvement.
- ✓ Supply parents with the necessary materials at conferences, meetings, workshops, and Family Nights to help them work with their child at home to improve their achievement.
- ✓ Communicate with local stakeholders to increase participation and awareness of the school parental involvement plan and activities. The Local School Council will meet several times throughout the year and parent and family engagement plans will be shared during these meetings.
- ✓ Provide parents information on ways to enhance their education, use technology, improve literacy skills and more through connections to local community services.
- ✓ Solicit feedback and provide parent support for additional parental engagement activities during monthly parent meetings, Family nights, and other family events.

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Parent Involvement Standards

Nebo Elementary 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 -

- Open House Welcoming All Families
- Communicating Effectively
- Supporting Student Success
- Speaking Up for Every Child
- Sharing Power
- Collaborating with Community

Nebo Elementary Parent Resource Center

Location: Media Center

Hours: 7:30 a.m.-3:00p.m.

Our **Parent Resource Center (PRC)** is a work in progress because we are always expanding our resources. Materials located in the PRC have been purchased with Title I funds based on input and requests from families and teachers. Parents are invited to borrow reading resources, math resources, and activities to use with their children. The PRC is designed to help parents become full partners in the education of their children. Flyers, phone calls and articles in the school newsletter encourage parents to borrow materials to help their child at home. A computer with internet access and printer is already available for parent use.

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Parent Involvement is Important!

Regardless of family income or background, students with involved parents are more likely to:

- Earn higher grades and test scores, and enroll in higher-level programs
- Be promoted and pass their classes
- Attend school regularly
- Have better social skills, show improved behavior, and adapt well to school
- Graduate and go on to further education