## **R.L.** Osborne High School

Parent and Family Engagement Policy and Plan for Shared Student Success



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# What is Title I?

R.L. Osborne High School is identified as a Title I school as part of the Elementary & Secondary Educational Act (ESEA). 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 and family members a written parent and family engagement policy.

# School Plan for Shared Student Achievement

### What is it?

This is a plan that describes how R.L. Osborne High School will provide opportunities to improve family engagement to support student learning. R.L. Osborne High values the contributions and involvement of parents and family members to establish an equal partnership for the common goal of improving student achievement. This plan describes the different ways that R.L. Osborne High 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.

## How is it revised?

R.L. Osborne High School invited all parents to attend our annual School Improvement Forum last spring to review and revise this parent and family engagement policy, as well as the school-wide plan, our school-parent compact, and the family engagement budget. Additionally, parent input and comments regarding this plan are welcome during the school year through an online form. The plan is posted on our school website for parents to view and submit feedback throughout the year. All parent feedback received during the year will be used to revise the plan for the next school year. We also distribute an annual survey online and by mail to ask parents for their suggestions on the plan and the use of funds for family engagement.

### Who is it for?

All students participating in the Title I, Part A program, and their parents and families, are encouraged and invited to fully participate in the opportunities described in this policy. R.L. Osborne High School will provide full opportunity for the participation of Neglected and Delinquent proxy parents, parents and families with limited English, parents with disabilities, and parents of migratory children.

## Where is it available?

The plan is provided to all students in October. The plan will also be posted on the school website and accessible through social media. Parents can also pick up a copy of the plan in the Parent Resource Center.

#### 2021-2022 District Goals

- Increase student performance in all core content areas by 2% annually as measured by achievement data.
- CCSD will increase the participation rate of families and communities engaging in services/programs by 10% as measured by CTLS Parent data, survey results & web view module.
- By 2023, we will reorganize the PL framework to meet the needs of all schools to ensure alignment with Superintendent Priorities as measured by PL opportunities, surveys, and student achievement.
- By the end of 2025 school year every school will have identified practices and resources that support student success as measured by student academic, perception or discipline data.

#### 2021-2022 School Goal

• Increase the graduation rate from 70.6% to 71% for the 2021-2022 school year.

## **School-Parent Compacts**

As part of this plan, Osborne High School 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 compact will be reviewed and updated annually, based on feedback from

> parents, students and teachers. Extra copies of the school-parent compact can be obtained from Katheline Vargas, Parent Facilitator.

# Let's Get Together!

R. L. Osborne High School 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.

 Cardinal Fly-By and 9<sup>th</sup> Grade Parent Night\*, July 29, 2021. – Introduction to Osborne and School Tour

\*Freshmen families will learn about High School graduation requirements and school resources.

- 2021-2022 Open House, September 15, 2021 @ 6:00. Review curriculum, academic standards, state assessments and testing schedules.
- ParentVUE Information Session, August 26, 2021 @ 10:00 a.m at Osborne High School
- State of the School Meeting (also known as Annual Title I Meeting) Osborne High School, September 9, 2021 @ 10:00 a.m. at Osborne

We invite you to learn about our Title I program, including our parent and family engagement policy, the schoolwide plan, the school-parent compacts, parents' requirements and how to spend the 1% parent involvement set-aside.

- Title I Parent Policy, Compact and School-Wide Plan Fall Input Meeting, October 7, 2021 @ 10:00 a.m. at Osborne High School
- Military/College Night, November 18, 2021 @ 6:00 p.m. at Osborne High School
- Financial Aid Event with Georgia Student Finance Authority, December 7<sup>th</sup>,2021 @3:45 p.m.at Osborne High School
- Title I Parent Policy, Compact and School-Wide Plan Spring Input Meeting, April 21, 2022@ 10:00 a.m.
- Building Staff Capacity Workshops: September 10, 2021 Professional Learning #1 December 3, 2021 Professional Learning #2 February 4, 2022 Professional Learning #3 April 22, 2022 Professional Learning #4
- Parent University Workshops at Osborne High School, starting at 10:00 a.m.
  January 27<sup>th</sup>, February 17<sup>th</sup>, March 24, and April 28, 2022 Topics to be determined.

### **Parent Resource Center**

R.L. Osborne High School's Parent Resource Center is open from 8:00 AM to 3:30 PM and located in the Media Center. Come and visit to check out books, study materials, games and activities to use at home with your student. Computers are also available for parents use.

### **Parent and Family Engagement**

R.L. Osborne High School believes that family engagement means the participation of parents and family members 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.

R.L. Osborne is committed to helping our parents and families attend the family activities listed in this policy. Please call or email us if you need assistance with transportation in order to participate in our programs.

Katheline Vargas, Parent Facilitator (770) 437-5900 ext. 012 Katheline.Vargas@cobbk12.org

# **R.L. Osborne High School is Branching Out!**

Osborne High School 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 are published in both English and Spanish and posted on the Web site.
- Provide trainings for staff on strategies to improve communication with parents and ideas to increase family engagement.
- ✓ Partner with our Feeder Middle Schools to help prepare parents and their students for the transition to High School.
- ✓ Facilitate parent-teacher conferences as needed and provide an Interpreter if needed.
- ✓ Communicate with all families and the community on a regular basis regarding school wide events and activities, through CTLS Parent, call outs, emails, flyers, school website and school marquee.
- ✓ Provide necessary materials and handouts for parents at conferences, meetings, and activities to help parents work with their student to improve their achievement.
- ✓ Use our Partners in Education to improve awareness of the activities and events listed in the school parental involvement policy.
- ✓ Offer English classes and workshops for parents to help further enhance their various needs.
- ✓ Collect feedback from parents at all events and maintain a Parent Resource Room in the Media Center to respond to parents' requests for additional support.





# Parent and Family Engagement Standards

R.L. Osborne 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:

- 1. Welcoming All Families
- 2. Communicating Effectively
- 3. Supporting Student Success
- 4. Speaking Up for Every Child
- 5. Sharing Power
- 6. Collaborating with Community

## **School Community Team**

R.L. Osborne High School invites all parents to join the School Community Team to share ideas and ways to involve other parents and family members to build partnerships with school, families, and the community. The team will meet four times during the school year, but parents and family members 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 Community Team, please contact Katheline Vargas at (770) 437-5900 or complete the

> interest form and leave it in the Parent Resource Room in the Media Center.

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