East Hall High School

Parent and Family Engagement Policy and Plan for Shared Student Success

2025-2026 School Year

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What is Title I?

East Hall High School is identified as a Title I school as part of Every Student Succeeds Act (ESSA). Title I is designed to support State and local school reform efforts tied to challenging State academic standards in order to reinforce and enhance efforts 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 all 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 East Hall High School will provide opportunities to improve family engagement to support student learning. East Hall High values the contributions and involvement of parents and family members in order to establish an equal partnership for the common goal of improving student achievement. This plan describes the different ways that East Hall 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?

East Hall High School invites all parents to attend an annual parent and family engagement input meeting during the spring to review and revise this parent and family engagement policy, as well as the school/district comprehensive needs assessment, school/district improvement plans, school-parent compact, and the parent and family engagement budget. Additionally, our school welcomes parent input and comments at any time during the school year regarding this plan. All parent feedback received during the school year will be used to revise the plan for the next school year. The plan is posted on our school website for parents to view and post feedback throughout the year. We also distribute an annual survey online and make paper copies available for their suggestions on the plan and the use of funds for family engagement. Parent and family members can also give feedback during several parent meetings and activities during the school year.

Who is it for?

All students participating in the Title I and their families are encouraged and invited to fully participate in the opportunities described in this plan. East Hall High School will provide full opportunity for the participation of parents with limited English, parents with disabilities and parents of migratory children.

Where is it available?

At the beginning of the year, after revision, the plan is posted on the school's website, emailed through Infinite Campus, presented at the Annual Title I meeting, and paper copies are provided in the school's front office.

District Goals 2025-2026

By the end of FY26, the percentage of all students moving into the "Proficient and Distinguished"(combined) levels of performance on the Georgia Milestones Assessments will increase by 2%.

Goal 2: By the end of FY26, increase the percentage of referred students who access school based mental health services in order to increase the overall school climate rating for HCSD by 1% (from 86.74 to 87.74).

School Goals 2025-2026

By the end of FY26, the graduation rate will increase by 3 or more percentage points from 24-25 school year.

By the end of FY26, the percentage of all students moving into the "Proficient and Distinguished"(combined) levels of performance on the Georgia Milestones (EOCs) Assessments will increase by 3%.

By the end of FY26, student engagement and efficacy will increase by 3% as evidenced by the top two indicators of questions 2, 4, 14, & 15 of the School Climate Survey.

School-Parent Compacts

As part of this plan, East Hall High School and our families will develop a school-parent compact, which is an agreement that parents, teachers, and students will develop together that explains how parents and teachers will work together to make sure all our students reach grade-level standards. The compacts will be reviewed and updated annually based on feedback from parents, students and teachers. The school-parent compacts are found on the school website. The school-parent compacts are shared through the Annual Title I meeting, Infinite Campus, and posted on the school's website. The school- parent compacts are kept with classroom teachers if parents need another copy.

Let's Get Together!

East Hall High will host the following events to build the capacity for strong family engagement to support a partnership among the school, parents, and the community to improve student academic achievement:

July 28, 2025 Open House 4-7 p.m. Parents and students are invited to meet teachers and discuss informational items with school staff.

September 8, 2025 Senior Night 5:30-6:30 p.m. Parents of senior class along with students are invited to learn all about the exciting senior year.

October 16, 2025 Parent Night/Teacher Conferences 4-7 p.m. Make an appointment or walk in to meet with your child's teacher(s). Other information sessions will be held throughout the building at this time. Parents and families receive information about the credits, scheduling, curriculum, school wide expectations, how technology is incorporated in the classroom, how parents can support their students in technology use at home, and information about improving literacy and numeracy skills for students.

October 16, 2025 Title I Annual Meeting. Parents are invited to learn about our Title I program, including our parent and family engagement policy, the school improvement plan, the Title 1 budget, the parent and family engagement budget, and the school-parent compact. This meeting is offered at two times for your convenience 8:30 a.m. and 6:00 p.m.

January 10, 2026 (Saturday) 9:00-11:00 a.m. FAFSA Join our counselors to learn all about how to apply for financial aid at the college level.

February 19, 2026 Dual Enrollment Application Night 4-7pm Parents and families receive information about the duall enrollment programs offered as well as can apply for admission to dual enrollment programs through Brenau, Lanier Tech, and UNG.

April 16, 2026 Title I Parent Stakeholder Input Meeting. Parents and stakeholders provide input for school improvement plan, parent and family engagement policy, building staff capacity modules, parent and family engagement budget, and school-parent compact. Meetings will be held at two times for your convenience 8:30 a.m. and 6 p.m.

Parental and Family Engagement

The East Hall High School faculty and staff believes that parent and family engagement means the participation of parents 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.
- The carrying out of other activities as described in this plan.

East Hall High is committed to helping our parents and families to attend the parental activities listed in this plan. Please call or email us if you need assistance with childcare or transportation in order to participate in our programs.

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East Hall High School is Branching Out!

The East Hall High School faculty and staff will take the following measures to promote and support parents and family members as an important foundation of the school in order 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, and posted on the school website and emailed through Infinite Campus.
- Participate in Canvas professional development modules at least four times per year to educate staff on strategies to improve communication with parents and ideas to increase family engagement.
- Share information in English and Spanish on the school website 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, such as phone messages, social media, website and flyers.
- Provide necessary materials for parents at conferences, meetings, and activities to help parents work with their child to improve their child's achievement.
- Collaborate with local colleges to increase participation and awareness of the school parent and family engagement plan and activities.
- Listen and respond to parents' requests for additional support for parent and family engagement activities.
- Collaborate with the feeder middle school to host an 8th grade parent night for parents and students to assist with the student transition to high school.

Parent and Family Engagement Standards

East Hall High School 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

Parent Resources Available in Media Center

Come visit the EHHS Media Center to check out books and study materials to use at home with your child. Media Center computers are available for parents to explore the Infinite Campus Parent Portal and educational resources with staff support.

Monday – Friday, 8:30 am – 3:30 p.m.

East Hall 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 during the school year, but parents can also submit their ideas or suggestions during all 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 the principal, Jennifer D. Gibson, at 770-536-9921 or leave a message in the front office.

School Community Team

- ❏ Yes, I am interested and wish to join the School Community Team.
- ❏ Please contact me so I can learn more in joining the School Community Team.
- ❏ Please send me notifications about future meetings and updates.

Name: _____

Child's Name and Grade: _____

Address: _____

Phone Number: _____

Email address: _____

Share Your Thoughts

We want to hear from you. If you have any suggestions regarding this plan and the students' or school's goals for academic achievement, please provide us with your comments in the space provided and leave this form in the Main Office:

Name: (optional) _____

Telephone Number: (optional)_____

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