

Midland Middle School

School Information

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What is Title I?

Midland Middle School is identified as a Title I school as part of the Every Student Succeeds Act (ESSA). Title I is a federal grant that was designed to ensure that all children receive a high quality education and reach grade level proficiency. Title I programs must be based on effective means of improving student achievement and include strategies to support parental involvement.

District Goal

The Muscogee County School District will create an environment that focuses on Tier 1 instruction while targeting individual student needs, leadership development, and customer service.

School's SMART Goals

Academic/Instructional Goal: By May 2019, at least 95% of teachers will use R.A.C.E., Graphic Organizers, and/or the Jane Shaffer writing strategies across the curriculum on how to read, write, and respond to grade level or higher text passages in order to increase Lexile levels school-wide as measured by Achieve3000 and the 2019 GMAS scores.

PBIS/School Climate Goal: By May 2019, 100% of the teachers will be trained and at least 85% will successfully implement all four (4) PBIS evidence-based classroom practices based on data collection and walkthrough results.

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Parent and Family Engagement Policy 2018-2019

Plan Revision Date: 8/09/18

What is it?

The Parent and Family Engagement Policy describes how Midland Middle School will provide opportunities to improve parent engagement to support student learning. Midland Middle School values the contributions and involvement of parents to establish an equal partnership for the common goal of improving student achievement. This policy describes the different ways that Midland Middle School will support parent 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 created?

Midland Middle School invites all parents to attend our Annual Parent Meeting and Open House to review and revise this Parent and Family Engagement Policy, the School Improvement Plan, and our School-Parent Compact. Additionally, parent input and comments regarding this policy are welcome during the school year. The policy will be 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 policy for the next school year. We also distribute an annual survey to ask parents for their suggestions on the policy and the use of funds for parent engagement. Parents 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, Part A program, and their families, are encouraged and invited to fully participate in the opportunities described in this policy. Midland Middle 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 next year, the policy will be included in the student handbook that is given to all students. As a reminder, we will have the policy available to all parents after the Annual Parent Meeting and before the scheduled Open House event. The policy will also be posted on the school website. Parents can also receive a copy of the policy in the main office and the Parent Resource Center. For all students who reside in residential facilities served by the Muscogee County School District, parent engagement correspondence and activities information will be mailed to each facility where students reside.

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What is a School-Parent Compact?

As part of this policy, Midland Middle 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. The School-Parent Compacts are kept in the Parent Resource Center/Room. A copy can also be requested from the school front office or from your child's teacher.

Parent and Family Engagement Program and Activities at Midland Middle School

Annual Title I Parent Meeting

Learn about our Title I program including: Parent and Family Engagement Policy, School Improvement Plan, School-Parent Compact, and the parents' requirements

PTA Open House

Opportunity to meet your child's teachers, join the PTA, complete the Parents Set Aside Survey and review/give feedback on the School-Parent Compact, Parent and Family Engagement Policy, and School Improvement Plan.

Academic Parent Workshops/Meetings

Provide Parents with strategies and tips for support at home

Parent SMART Goal's 1 and 2 Workshop/Meeting

Provide strategies and tips for support at home on the school's SMART Goals

Georgia Milestones Assessment Meeting

Overview of the state testing which measures how well students learn the knowledge and skills outlined in the state-adopted content standards while gaining knowledge on improving test scores

Transition Meeting

Transitioning to the next school

We Did Not Come Here To Be Average

Midland Middle School will take the following measures to promote and support parents as an important foundation of the school in order to strengthen the school and reach our school goal. We will:

- ✓ Ensure that all information related to school and parent programs, meetings and other activities is published on school website, and included in the school's weekly ConnectEd phone and/or email messages.
- ✓ Share information 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 schoolwide events and activities, through phone and/or email messages, school website, and flyers.
- ✓ Work with our parents to develop relevant trainings and helpful presentations to educate our staff on the importance of parent engagement.
- ✓ Provide necessary materials and handouts for parents at conferences, meetings, and activities to help parents work with their child to improve their child's achievement.
- ✓ Use our Partners in Education and School-Community Team to improve awareness of the activities and events listed in the school Parent and Family Engagement Policy.
- ✓ Collect feedback from parents during parent-teacher conferences and post suggestion form on the school website in order to respond to parents' questions and concerns.

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