

**Lovejoy Middle School
Parent and Family Involvement Policy 2017-2018**

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*Parent Involvement Plan for
Shared Student Success
2015-2016 School Year*

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School Plan for Shared Student Achievement

What is it? This is a plan that describes how Lovejoy Middle School will provide opportunities to improve parent engagement to support student learning. Lovejoy Middle School values the contributions and involvement of parents in order to establish an equal partnership for the common goal of improving student achievement. This plan describes the different ways that Lovejoy 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. Our parents will have the opportunities to be involved in our PTSA, Degree 360 group, School Council Meetings and our Parent Concern Group.

How is it developed? Lovejoy Middle School welcomes parent input and comments at any time regarding the plan. All parent feedback will be used to revise the plan for next 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 by mail to ask parents for their suggestions on the plan and the use of funds for parent involvement. Parents can also give feedback during our annual Parent, Teacher, Student Conferences and the Curriculum Nights with school leaders to revise the plans for the upcoming 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 plan. Lovejoy 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 year, the plan is included in the student handbook that is given to all students. As a reminder, we will mail the plan to all parents in August before the scheduled Open House event. Parents can also retrieve a copy of the plan in the Parent Resource Center.

What is Title I?

Lovejoy Middle School is identified as Title I school as part of the Elementary and Secondary Education Act of 1965 (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 students achievement and include strategies to support parental involvement. All Title I schools must jointly develop with all parents a written parental involvement policy.

Lovejoy Middle develop the Parent Involvement Policy with all parents, by inviting and holding meeting with teachers. Meetings were held various times and days in May and August.

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2017-2018 District Goals

To increase Reading— all students will show a 5.3% increase in reading proficiency on the Language Arts Georgia Milestones.

Math – all students will show a 4.2% increase in mathematics proficiency on the Math Georgia Milestones. 1. To increase academic achievement for all students in Clayton County Public Schools as evidenced by state, national and international assessment results.

2. To provide and maintain a safe, orderly and secure learning environment

3. To create an environmental that promotes active engagement, accountability, and collaboration of all stakeholders to maximize student achievement.

4. To effectively communicate the system’s vision and purpose and allow stakeholders involvement effort to build understanding and support.

5. To provide quality support services delivered on time and within budget to promote student academic success in Clayton County Public Schools.

6. To recruit and retain highly qualified and effective staff

2017-2018 School Goals

Goals for Academic Achievement (subject areas)

- English/Language Arts –gain of 3%
- Math – Increase by 3%
- Reading –increase by 3%
- Science – increase by 3%
- Social Studies –3%

Student Attendance: Improve to 98%

Student Discipline: Decrease by 25%

Parental Involvement: Improve by 50%

Let’s Go Cougar’s

Lovejoy Middle 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

- **Annual Title I Meeting**—:

An evening of learning and sharing about our Title I program including our parent involvement policy, school wide plan, School-Parent Compact and 1% Parental Involvement Budget. Invitations will be posted on the schools website, marquee, flyers and school-messenger.

- **Open House**—

Meet your child’s teacher and our friendly and helpful school staff. Information for parents to help their child in Math.

- **Parent, Teacher, Student Conferences**— Quarterly

Scheduled updates on your child’s progress

- **Parent Appreciation**—

A celebration of parent engagement and the recognition of parental involvement impact on school student success consisting of workshops, parents input and recognition ceremony.

- **Parental Involvement Day**

An opportunity parents to observe what takes place in the classroom. Parents will be able to observe their child’s daily routine, and explore how they learn.

- **Parent Appreciation**—

A celebration of parent engagement and involvement recognition for parents that were actively engaged in school success.

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School-Parent Compacts

As part of this plan, Lovejoy Middle 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 during the school year. The school-parent compacts that have been returned are kept in the file cabinet in the school vault. Blank compacts can be found in the Parent Resource office and the counselor's office.

Parental Involvement

Lovejoy Middle believes that parental involvement means the participation of parents in regular two-way, and meaningful communication involving student academic learning and other school activities, including ensuring-

- **P**arents play an integral role in assisting their child's education at school.
- 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.
- Carrying out of other activities as describe in this plan.

Lovejoy Middle School is committed to helping our parents attend the parental activities listed in this plan. Please call or email us if you need assistance interpreting services at:

770-473-2933

Linda.tlove@clayton.k12.ga.us

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Lovejoy 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 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
- Conduct staff development each quarter on parent involvement practices and effective strategies for staff to communicate and build partnership with parents.
- Partner with Elementary and High Schools to share school information about parent engagement activities that will help prepare parents and their child for each level of education.
- Share information in English and Spanish on the school calendar/web page for parents to understand the school's academic standards and assessments, as well as, the ways parents to 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, and flyers.
- Work with our parents to develop relevant training and helpful presentations to educated our staff on the importance of parental involvement
- Provide necessary materials for parent at conferences, meetings, and activities to help parents work with their child to improve their child's achievement.
- Collaborate with community leaders and business groups to increase participation and awareness of the school parental involvement plan and activities.
- Offer parent classes to help further enhance their various education backgrounds
- Listen and respond to parents' request for additional support for parental involvement activities.

Student Achievement



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Parental Involvement Standards

Lovejoy Middle School and our parents have adopted the Parent, Teacher, and Student Organization in order to build Family-School Partnerships. In this complex world, It takes more, than a good school to educate children and it takes more than a good home. It takes the TWO Major Educational Institution working together to achieve educational success. These standards are –

1. Inviting all Families
2. Effective Communication
3. Supporting Student Success
4. Working with the Community
5. Respecting each other

Parent/Teacher/Student Organization

Lovejoy Middle School invites all parents to join the Parent, Teacher, Student Organization (PTSA) to share ideas and ways to involve other parents to build partnerships with school, families, and the community. The team will meet four times 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 PTSA, please contact the school at (770)-473-2933 or complete the interest form and leave it in the Main Office.

Local School Council

- Yes, I am excited about joining the PTSA
- Yes, please contact me so I can learn more about the PTSA
- Yes, this sounds like a great idea, please keep me posted about future meetings

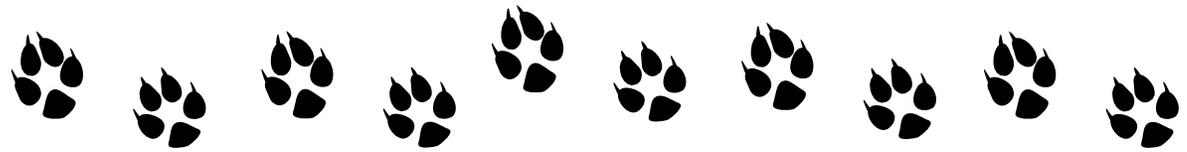
Name: _____

Child's Name and Grade: _____

Address: _____

Phone Number: _____

Email address: _____



Share Your Thoughts

We want to hear from you. If you have any suggestions or if there is any part of this plan that you feel is not satisfactory with the students' and the 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) _____

