Johnson High School
Parent and Family Engagement Policy and Plan
for Shared Student Success
2023-2024 School Year



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What is Title I?

Johnson High School is identified as a Title I school as part of the 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 Johnson High School will provide opportunities to improve family engagement to support student learning. Johnson 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 Johnson 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? Johnson High School invites all parents to attend an annual parent and family engagement input meeting in the spring to review and revise this parent and family engagement policy, as well as the school/district consolidated 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 school and their families are encouraged and invited to participate fully in the opportunities described in this plan. Johnson 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 school year, after revision, the plan is posted on the school's website, presented at the Annual Title I meeting, emailed to parents and families using Infinite Campus, and paper copies are provided in the school's front office.



2023-24 Hall County District Goals

- 1. By the end of FY24, the percentage of students in each subgroup moving into the "Proficient" and "Distinguished" levels of performance on the Georgia Milestones Assessments will increase by 2% in the "Proficient" and "Distinguished" levels of performance.
- 2. Increase the percentage of referred students who access school-based mental health services by 2% each year (with FY21 being the baseline year) to decrease the number of OSS days in grades 6-12.

2023-24 Johnson High School Goals

- 1. For the 2023-2024 school year, Johnson High School will increase the percentage of students reading at or above grade level on the American Literature EOC to 59%, which represents a 5% increase from the previous school year.
- 2. For the 2023-2024 school year, Johnson High School will increase the number of parents and family members attending a JHS parent and family event by 5% from 2022-23 school year.
- 3. For the 2023-2024 school year, Johnson High School will increase the percentage of students earning a developing, proficient, or distinguished score on the...
 - Algebra 1 EOC to 60%
 - Biology EOC to 75%
 - American Literature EOC to 75%
 - US History EOC to 86%

All goals for each subject are based off a 3% increase from the previous school year.

4. For the 2023-2024 school year, Johnson High School will increase the percentage of students successfully completing graduation requirements to 86%, which represents a 5% increase from last year.

School-Parent Compacts

As part of this plan, Johnson 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 in the main office if parents need another copy.



Let's Get Together!



Johnson 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:

See JHS website for specific dates/times -- jhs.hallco.org

- Open House August 2, 2023 4pm-7pm
 - o Meet the teachers and school staff, while learning suggestions and strategies to ensure your child's academic success for the upcoming year
- Back to School Basics: Helping your Student Succeed in High School September 21, 2023 6pm
 - o Parents and families receive information about the credits, scheduling, and school wide expectations.
 - o Parents and families receive information about how technology is incorporated in the classroom, and how parents can support their students in technology use at home.
- ✓ Annual Title I Meeting October 12, 2023
 - o 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.
 - o Two Options to Attend:
 - Join Zoom meeting at 9:30am (see Title I Meeting Invitation for Zoom meeting codes)
 - Attend in person at 6pm in the JHS Media Center
- Program Night: Discover information about the different academic programs at JHS October 26, 2023 6pm
 - o Parents and families receive information about the classes required for graduation, as well as various academic programs available to students at JHS.
- ✓ JHS 4th Annual Math & Literacy Night February 15, 2024, 6pm
 - o Parents and families receive information about improving literacy skills for students and receive new books for students of all ages.
- ✓ Title I Parent & Family Engagement Input Meeting April 11, 2024
 - o 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
 - Two Options to Attend:
 - Join Zoom meeting at 9:30am (see Title I Meeting Invitation for Zoom meeting codes)
 - Attend in person at 6pm in the JHS Media Center

School Outreach for Parents of 12th Graders

- ✓ Individual Senior Meetings August 2023 to May 2024
 - o Counselor or Graduation Coach meets with each senior to discuss graduation requirements and future plans. Parents are welcome to attend with senior.
- ✓ Admission Days for UNG & Lanier Tech
 - o Students complete this in school with graduation coach
 - o Parents communicate with seniors about choices and can contact graduation coach with guestions prior to admission day
 - o UNG- November 2023 & March 2024; Lanier Tech- April 2024
- ✓ Senior Career Fair May 2024
 - o Students and parents receive resume and interview guidance while meeting with local business owners to learn about job, training, and apprenticeship opportunities.

School Outreach for Parents of 9th-11th Graders

- ✓ Individual Student Meetings December 2023 to April 2024
 - o Counselor or Graduation Coach meets with student and parents by appointment to discuss academic progress and registration for future courses.
- ✓ Rising 9th Grade Parent Night Spring 2024
 - o Rising 9th graders and their parents tour the school and learn about high school courses and expectations

Parental and Family Engagement

The Johnson 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.

Johnson 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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Johnson High School is Branching Out!

The Johnson 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 a year to train 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 student transition from high school.
- ✓ 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

Johnson 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

Local School Council

Johnson High School invites all parents to join the Local School Council to share ideas and ways to involve other parents and family members as we build partnerships with school, families, and the community. The team will meet quarterly 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 Local School Council, please contact Jonathan Edwards (Principal) at 770-536-2394 or leave a message in the front office.

Local School Council
\square Yes, I am excited about joining the Local School Council.
\square Yes, please contact me so I can learn more about the Local School Council.
Name:
Child's Name and Grade:
Address:
Phone Number:
Email address:
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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)