

# ***Eddie J. White Middle Academy***

## ***Parent and Family Engagement Plan 2018-2019 School Year***



**Eddie J. White Middle  
Academy**

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## ***What is Title I?***

*Eddie White 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 to reinforce and enhance efforts to improve teaching and learning for students. Eddie J. White parent program is based on effective means of improving student achievement by 5% across all content areas.*

*We will support parent and family engagement by offering several meetings, opportunities, and ways parents can assist in increasing student achievement. Eddie J. White jointly developed the parent and family policy with all parents input. Input packets were sent home. In addition, we invited and held meetings with parents, students, and teachers. We will continue to take parent input in the Parent Resource Center and several locations throughout the school building.*

## **Eddie J. White Middle Academy Plan for Shared Student Achievement**

### **What is it?**

Eddie J. White Middle Academy plan is to provide opportunities to improve parent and family engagement to support student learning. Eddie J. White Academy values the contributions and involvement of parents to establish an equal partnership for the common goal of improving student achievement. The different ways Eddie J. White Academy will support parent and family engagement by holding grade specific data driven meetings, conferences, and offer parent academy sessions. Parents can help plan, participate in activities, and events to promote student learning at school and at home. The meetings will be monthly in the Media Center or Parent Resource Center.

### **How is it revised?**

Eddie J. White Middle Academy invited all parents to attend our School Focus meetings last spring in the month April and August; April 16<sup>th</sup> 10am, 18<sup>th</sup> 12pm, 20<sup>th</sup> 8am, 24<sup>th</sup> 8am & 26<sup>th</sup> 5pm & 10am. Input meetings; August 26<sup>th</sup> 2pm, 20<sup>th</sup> 10 and 2pm, 23<sup>rd</sup> 10 and 6pm, 30<sup>th</sup> 12pm and September 17, 2018, 10am and 2pm, 29<sup>th</sup> 8am and 12pm, and 31<sup>st</sup> at 6pm. We reviewed and revised the parent and family engagement policy, as well as the school-parent student compact, and the 1% parent and family engagement budget. Additionally, parent input and comments regarding this plan are welcome during the school year in different locations throughout the school, front office, parent center, counselor's office, media center, and attendance office. Online we have the forms for ongoing input. Eddie J. White's school wide plan is posted around our school and on the school site [www.clayton.003.schooldesk.net](http://www.clayton.003.schooldesk.net) for parents to view and submit feedback throughout the year. All parents feedback received during the year was and will be used to revise the plan for the next school year. We also distribute an annual survey online and the survey was sent home to ask parents for their suggestions on the plan and the use of funds for parent and family engagement. Parents can also give feedback during several parent meetings and activities during

### **Who is it for?**

Eddie J. White Middle Academy Parent and Family Engagement policy is for all parents of students participating in the Title I, (ESSA) Part A program, and their families, are encouraged, and invited to fully participate in the opportunities of parent conferences, sessions, and meetings. Eddie J. White Academy will provide full opportunity for the participation of parents with limited English, parents with disabilities and parents of migratory children, homeless, foster care, students and families transitioning from pre-k to elementary school to middle school. We will have Spanish specific meetings and Wolf parent teacher meetings specific to parents' individual student data.

### **Where is it available?**

At the beginning of the year, the plan will be available in the Parent Resource Center, sent home with all students, and on the school website.

As a reminder, we will email the plan to all parents in August or September before the scheduled Open House event. Parents can also retrieve a copy of the plan in the Parent and Family Resource Center.

### **2018-19 CCPS District Goals**

By 2023, All schools will increase the percentage of student scoring Proficient and/or Distinguished levels on the Georgia Milestones to at least 80% in the each content area.

### **2018-19 Eddie J. White Middle Goals**

By 2020, all grades will increase by 5% of students scoring Proficient and Distinguished in Math and English Language Arts based on the Georgia Milestone Assessment.

### **School-Parent Compacts**

*As part of this plan, Eddie J. White Middle Academy will develop a school-parent compact. It is an agreement that parents, teachers, and students will develop jointly with input and work sessions during Spring 2018, 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 (sent home and website input),*

*students and teachers during those meetings and the School*

*Focus group meetings held April and May 2018. The school- parent compacts will be sent home, available on the school website and in the parent resource center if parents need a copy.*



## **Let's Get Together!**

Eddie J. White Middle Academy will host the following events to build capacity for strong parent and family engagement to support a partnership among the school, parents, and the community to improve student academic achievement. All meetings for parents and families will be held at different times during the day, in the morning, before school, or in the evening at 6:00 pm.

**Annual Title I Meeting – Saturday, August 21 6pm, August 29<sup>th</sup> 8am, September 13 and 20<sup>th</sup>, 4:30pm 2018**

Parent and Family Involvement plan, the school wide plan, the school-parent compacts, and parents' requirements. Invitations, will be sent home and posted in the school calendar and on the school website. Title I input sessions August 16, 20, 23, 30 and September 17, 2018.

**Open House – Elementary September 13, 2018 5-7pm and Middle September 20, 2018 5-7pm**

Meet your child's teacher and our friendly and helpful school staff for the 18-19 school year.

**EWA we, Engage All Parents! Wolf pack University Monthly – Starting in September**

Learn helpful information to prepare for the school year.

**Family and Community Conversations – Aug. 26<sup>th</sup>, Sept. 27<sup>th</sup>, Oct. 25<sup>th</sup>, Nov. 29, 2018**

Delivered by our proud principal Dr. Michael Powell.

**Chew-n-Learn – Monthly Thursday's begin October 2018**

Gain knowledge about topics relevant to your child's education.

**Parent-Teacher and Student Conferences Week– September 24<sup>th</sup>– 28<sup>th</sup> and November 5<sup>th</sup> – 9<sup>th</sup> For 1<sup>st</sup> Semester**

Share with parent scheduled updates on your child's progress.

**Taste of Curriculum Night – November TBA 6-8pm**

Sample a little bite from the different areas of your child's academics and academic vendors.

**Bring your Parent to school days – Oct 16<sup>th</sup> K, 3<sup>rd</sup> & 6<sup>th</sup>/Nov. 13<sup>th</sup>, 1<sup>st</sup>, 4<sup>th</sup>, & 7<sup>th</sup> & Dec. 11<sup>th</sup>, 2<sup>nd</sup>, 5<sup>th</sup> & 8<sup>th</sup>**

Experience EWA in the shadows of your student for the day.

**Academic skills Night in April 6-8pm, 2019 TBA**

Sample a little bite from the different areas of your child's academics and academic vendors.

**Parent Appreciation / Academy Graduation – April TBA, 2019, TBA**

A celebration of parent engagement and the recognition of parents completing the CCPS and EWA Parent Academy 6 classes to have a positive impact on school and student success.

**School Title I Forum – May, 2019**

A forum for parents to participate in roundtable discussions with the principal and staff regarding the school wide plan, parental involvement policy, school-parent compacts and the parent and family engagement budget.

**National Parent Involvement Day, Educational Parent Jazz Café November 15, 2018 6-8pm**

Parent and Family opportunity to meet, greet, learn and socialize to live Jazz music with our wolf pack faculty and staff.



### *Parent and Family Resource Center*

*Come visit the Parent Resource Center to check out Common Core academic books, study guide materials, and activities to use at home with your child. Computers are available for parents to explore the Parent Portal and use educational resources.*

*Monday – Friday, 8:00 am – 3:30 pm*

## **Parent and Family Engagement**

Eddie J. White Middle Academy 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, to ensure:

- All parents play an integral role in assisting with their child's learning.
- All parents are encouraged to be actively engaged in their child's education.
- All 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.

*Eddie J. White Academy is committed to helping our parents participate in the parental activities listed in this plan.*

*Please call or email us if you need assistance with receiving information in order to participate in our programs.*

(770) 472-2850 ext. 6 or

[Giovanna.alston@clayton.k12.ga.us](mailto:Giovanna.alston@clayton.k12.ga.us)



## **Eddie J. White Middle Academy is Branching Out!**

Eddie J. White Middle Academy will take the following measures to promote and support parents as an important foundation of the school in order to strengthen 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, posted on the school Web site, and included in the monthly school Parent center news/calendar for all parents.

Provide monthly trainings for staff during their planning periods on strategies to improve communication with parents and ideas to increase family engagement. Staff will also share best practices during regularly scheduled faculty meetings.

Collaborate with Head Start and Early Reading programs by conducting joint staff meetings for parents and sending school information about parent engagement activities that will help prepare parents and their child for kindergarten and improve school transition.

Share information in English and Spanish on the school website, Parent Resource center and in the school newsletter/calendar for parents to understand the school's academic standards and assessments the ways parents can monitor their child's progress and how to work with educators.

Communicate with all families and the community on a regular basis regarding school wide events and activities, through phone messages, social media, and flyers.

Work with our parents to develop relevant trainings and helpful presentations to educate our staff on the importance of parental involvement.

Provide necessary materials and handouts for parents at conferences, meetings, and activities to help parents work with their child to improve their child's academic achievement.

Use our Partners in Education and School-Community 360 Degree Team to improve awareness of the activities and events listed in the school parent and family engagement policy.

Offer literacy, hands on activities and computer access classes for parents to help further enhance their educational knowledge levels.

Collect feedback from parents at events, place input cards around the building and post suggestion forms on the school website in order to respond to parent requests for additional support for parental engagement activities.





## Parent and Family Engagement Standards

Eddie J. White Middle Academy and our parents have adopted the Six Types of Parental Involvement by Joyce Epstein as the School's model in engaging parents, students, and the community. These standards are:

1. Decision-making
2. Communication
3. Volunteering
4. Parenting
5. Learning at Home
6. Collaborating with Community

## EWM Community Team

Eddie J. White Middle Academy invites all parents to join the School Community 360 Degree Team 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 at any of the school activities and meetings, as well as through our parent surveys, and website. If you would like to learn more about the EWE Community Team, please contact the Title I Parent Liaison, Ms. G. Alston at (770) 472-2850 ext. 6, email [giovanna.alston@clayton.k12.ga.us](mailto:giovanna.alston@clayton.k12.ga.us) or complete the interest form and leave it in the Main Office.



## EWA 360' Degree Community

- ☐ Yes, I am interested and wish to join the School 360 Degree Community Team
- ☐ Please contact me so I can learn more about joining the School 360 Degree 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 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 or EWA Parent Resource center:

Name: (optional) \_\_\_\_\_

Telephone Number: (optional) \_\_\_\_\_

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