

FAMILY AND COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT PLAN 2018 - 2019



Norcross High School
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Visit our Parent Center!

Our Parent Center has many resources like books, study materials, games, and activities you can check out to use at home with your child.

Need help finding materials?

Elizabeth Morales, our parent support person is available to assist you.
770-326-8748
elizabeth_morales@gwinnett.k12.ga.us
Parent Center
Monday – Friday 7am – 3pm

We have computers in the Counseling Office available for parents/family members to use to explore the Parent Portal, eCLASS, and other educational resources to support the learning of their child.

WHAT IS A FAMILY & COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT PLAN?

This is a plan that describes how Norcross High School will provide opportunities to improve family engagement that will support student learning at school and at home. All students and their families are invited and encouraged to fully participate in the opportunities described in this plan. Norcross High School will provide information and as many opportunities as possible for the participation of all parents and family members.

WHERE IS THE PLAN AVAILABLE?

The plan is available online on our school's Title I webpage located at www.norcrosshigh.org. Paper copies are available upon request in the NHS Parent Center. Families new to Norcross High School receive a copy during the registration process.

HOW IS IT DEVELOPED AND REVISED?

The plan is jointly developed with parents, school staff, students and community members. It is reviewed and revised at least annually during the Title I Planning Meeting. A draft of the updated Plan is available for additional input during a document review period. All feedback forms from the Title I Planning meeting are submitted to the Title I Office for review.

“We believe that meaningful, two-way communication between teachers and families will improve academic success for students.”

Norcross High School believes that families are full partners in their child's education. Norcross will communicate with parents in various ways to include:

Parent Portal	Parent Teacher Conferences
Email	School Messenger System
Phone Calls	Local School Council Meetings
Parent Workshops	Website: www.norcrosshigh.org

Parent Teacher Conferences: Parents may request parent-teacher conferences at any time by contacting an individual teacher or the student's counselor for a conference with multiple teachers. The counseling department can be contacted at 770-447-2648.

- ✓ Participation in a Title I program benefits your child in many ways!
- ✓ Title I is a federal program designed to support school reform efforts to improve teaching and learning for all students.
- ✓ Title I programs are based on effective means of improving student achievement and include strategies to support family engagement.
- ✓ All Title I schools jointly develop a Family & Community Engagement Plan with parents and family members.
- ✓ The Title I Office reserves at least one percent of the district's total allocation to fund family and community engagement programs. The use of these funds is based on suggestions gathered at our spring input meeting from families and community members. Funds are distributed equally to all of our Title I schools.
- ✓ Childcare and/or transportation may be provided for meetings and school events.



Goals of Gwinnett County Public Schools:

Language Arts: All students will graduate as analytical readers, writers, and communicators of language.

Math: Students are expected to demonstrate proficiency through a deep understanding of numeracy with the ability to compute with fluency, think critically, and communicate their mathematical reasoning effectively.

Science: Students will develop a strong content understanding in the earth, life, and physical sciences as well as develop problem-solving and critical-thinking skills.

Social Studies: Students will develop a strong understanding of themselves and their role and responsibility in society by discovering the heritage of their nation within a global context

Goals of Norcross High School

- Norcross High School will increase the four-year cohort graduation rate to 79% by the end of the 2018-2019 school year.
- Norcross High School will increase student performance on Milestone exams, which result in closing the gap with the GCPS average score by one third. In addition, the success rate in all courses will increase.

School – Family Compacts

Norcross High School will collaborate with parents to jointly develop a school-family compact that outlines how families, students, and the entire school staff, will share the responsibility for improved student academic achievement. The Compact explains how the school and families will build and develop a partnership to help children achieve the high academic standards of the district and state.

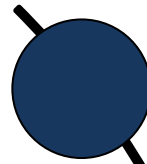
9th – 10th grades

- Cite strong explicit evidence in analysis
- Write analytic arguments with valid reasoning/claims and counterclaims/anticipation of audience concerns

11th-12th Grades

- Analyze multiple versions of source text
- Study historical documents from US History
- Include all critical

ENGAGING AND EMPOWERING FAMILIES WITH...



Title I Program Information is available during Title I Planning and Annual Parent Meetings, on the school website, and in the Parent Center.

Curriculum Information Knowing what your student is learning at school is important. We will keep you informed throughout the year about what your student is learning during parent meetings, conferences, and on our school website.

Student Progress Monitoring The Parent Portal is an online resource that allows parents to view grades, attendance, schedules, assessment results, course history, and much more. Monitoring your student's progress in school is an important way to be engaged.

Parent Resources We have many resources available for checkout to use at home with your student. We also host a number of parent workshops to empower you as you work with your student at home. (See Calendar of Events for parent meetings and family event a various times of the day.)

Staff Training We will train our staff to effectively communicate with you. Your input on how we train our staff is valuable.

Communication We will communicate, to the extent feasible, all information with you in a language and format you understand. We will provide interpreters during parent workshops and academic events whenever possible. We will translate documents to the extent feasible.

Transition Support Entering a new school can be scary for both students and parents. We will host events to make sure both you and your child are aware of what is expected and how you can prepare as your student transitions to a new school.

ENGAGEMENT MAKES A DIFFERENCE!