

## SCHOOL-PARENTAL INVOLVEMENT PLAN

### **G. W. Carver Elementary Parent Involvement Plan for Shared Student Success 2018-2019 School Year**

**What is it?** This is a plan that describes how G. W. Carver Elementary will provide opportunities to improve parent engagement to support student learning. G. W. Carver Elementary 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 ways that G. W. Carver Elementary 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 developed?** G. W. Carver Elementary 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 will be posted on our school website for parents to view and provide feedback throughout the year. Parents will have the opportunity to participate in an annual survey online or by mail for their input on our school and their child's education experience here. School/Parent council meetings are held throughout the year to plan and receive feedback. Our plan will be reviewed by this council and revised yearly.

**Who is it for?** All students participating in the Title I program and their families are encourage and invited to fully participate in the opportunities described in this plan.

**Where is it available?** At the beginning of the year, the plan will be sent home with your student. It will also be posted on our school website.

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

G. W. Carver Elementary 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

#### Open House – August 30, 2018

✓ Meet your child's teacher and our friendly and helpful school staff for the year

#### Annual Title I Meeting – August 30, 2018.

✓ We invite you to an evening of learning and sharing about our Title I program including our parent involvement policy and school parent compact.

#### Parent-Teacher and Student Conferences – October 19, 2018 and January 18, 2019

✓ Scheduled updates on your child's progress

#### Parent Testing Meeting – March 28, 2019

✓ Parents with students that will be state testing will be given an overview of what to expect on state testing and what they can do at home to help their child succeed.

### PTO Meetings – Every 2<sup>nd</sup> Tuesday of Each Month

✓ Meetings establish needs, activities and events that this entity works to fund. Parent committees work closely with staff and principal to coordinate fundraisers that provide funds for approved activities and events.

### Watch D.O.G.S. Program – August 23, 2018

✓ Fathers are invited to volunteer at the school. Research has shown that when dads are involved in their child's education, grades increase, behavior problems decrease, and the general self-esteem of the child grows.

### Family Reading Night – October 18, 2018

✓ Parents and students spend time reading together and rotating between literacy stations to engage in curricula related activities.

### Book Fair – October 15 – 19, 2018

✓ Parents and students spend time shopping together for books, posters, bookmarks, pencils, or erasers.

### Accelerated Reader Lab – January 15, 2019 – April 25, 2019

✓ Parents and students spend time reading together. Students take Accelerated Reader (AR) tests on the computer to earn points toward AR rewards.

### Math & Science Night – January 24, 2019

✓ Parents and students spend time together exploring various science experiments and math activities.

### **G. W. Carver Elementary is Branching Out!**

**G. W. Carver Elementary** 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 goals. We will:

- Ensure that all information related to school and parent programs, meetings and other activities are posted on the school website and included in the monthly school newsletter for all parents
- Conduct staff development on parent involvement practices and effective strategies for staff to communicate and build partnerships with parents.
- Communicate with all families and the community on a regular basis regarding schoolwide events and activities, such as phone messages, social media and flyers.
- Provide necessary materials for parents at conferences, meeting, 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.
- Listen and respond to parents' requests for additional support for parental involvement activities.