

**Clinch County  
Middle School  
Family Engagement Plan  
2021-2022**



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## **What is Title I?**

Clinch County Middle 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 the challenging State academic standards 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 parents and family members a written parent and family engagement policy and plan.

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## **Clinch County Middle School Family Engagement Plan For Shared Student Achievement**

**What is a Family Engagement Plan?** This is a plan that describes how Clinch Middle will provide opportunities to improve family engagement in our school and support student learning. Clinch Middle values the contributions and involvement of parents and family members to establish an equal partnership for the common goal of the improving student achievement. This plan describes the different ways that Clinch Middle 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 this Revised?** Clinch Middle invited all parents to attend our annual Parent Feedback Nights in the spring and fall to review and revise this family engagement plan, as well as the school-wide plan, our school-parent compacts, and the family engagement budget. Additionally, parent input and comments regarding this plan are welcome during the school year through an online form on our website. The plan is posted on our school website for parents to view and submit feedback throughout the year. All parent feedback received during the year will be used to revise the plan for the next school year. We also send home an annual survey by our students and post the survey online asking our parents for their suggestions on the plan and the use of funds for family engagement. Parents and family members are encouraged to give feedback during several parent meetings and activities during the school year.

**Who is this 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. Clinch Middle will provide full opportunity for the participation of parents and family members with limited English, with disabilities, and of migratory children.

**Where is this available?** We will send home this plan with every student at the beginning of the school year. This plan will be posted on our website and a copy will also be kept in the Parent Resource Center.



## 2021-2022 District Goals

**#1:** Increase the number of students reading at or above grade level Lexile scores.

**#2:** Increase the number of students scoring in levels 3 & 4 on the writing portions of **GMAS**.

**#3:** Increase the number of students scoring in levels 3 & 4 on the **Math GMAS**.

**#4:** Increase the number of students that complete post secondary certificate level programs during High School.

**#5:** Decrease the gap between the Elementary/Middle and the Middle/High School Star Climate Rating.

## 2021-2022 School Goals

Clinch County Middle School administrators & teachers have studied our student performance data to find the most important areas of improvement for our school. The school goals for 2021-2022 are:

1. Increase levels 3 & 4 on Narrative Writing on GMAS
2. Increase Lexile At or Above Reading Status on GMAS by 5% per grade level
3. Increase ELA GMAS levels 3 & 4 by 5%
4. Increase the Math GMAS levels 3 & 4 by 5%

## CCMS Pledge

Clinch Middle pledges to 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 goals. We pledge to:

- \* Ensure that all information related to school and parent programs, meetings, and other activities is published in an easy to read format, posted on our school website, and social media sites as well as sending the information home with students.
- \* Provide monthly trainings for staff during their planning periods, vertical meetings or faculty meetings on strategies to improve communication with parents and ideas to increase family engagement with reading and math activities for our students outside of the classroom.
- \* Partner with elementary and high schools, college and career ready resources or organizations, parent resource centers, or other programs (as applicable) to help prepare parents and their children for successful school transitioning.
- \* Share information on the school website and in monthly school newsletters 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, through phone messages, social media sites and flyers.
- \* Work with parents to develop relevant trainings and helpful presentations to educate our staff on the importance of parent and family engagement and how to support student learning.
- \* Provide necessary materials and handouts for parents at conferences, meetings, and activities to help parents work with their child's achievement.
- \* Use our Partners in Education members to improve awareness of the activities and events listed in the district and school family engagement plans.
- \* Collect feedback and suggestions from parents and family members at all events and post a feedback and suggestions form on the school's website in order to respond to parents' requests for additional support for parent and family engagement activities

## School-Parent Compacts

Part of this plan is for Clinch Middle and families to develop a school-parent compact. This compact is an agreement that parents, students and teachers develop together that explains how parents and teachers will work together to make sure all of our students reach grade-level standards. These compacts will be reviewed and updated every year based on feedback from our parents, students and teachers during our Annual Parent Feedback Nights. The school-parent compacts are shared in October with parents by being sent home with each child and copies are kept with each child's teacher if a parent should need another copy.

## Parent Resource Center

"An educational Lending Library for Parents"

Come visit the Parent Resource Center to check out books, study materials, and activities to use at home with your child. Computers are available for parents to explore the Parent Portal and educational resources. Our Family Engagement Coordinator, Lori Register, is there to help parents with specific needs in helping their child.

Monday-Friday  
9:00-2:00

## Get Connected!

During the 2021-2022 school year, Clinch Middle will be hosting many events and workshops to help build a strong family engagement support between the school, parents and the community to improve student academic achievement.

- ◆ **Open House– August 4, 2021**  
Meet our friendly staff and your child's teacher.
- ◆ **Parent/Teacher Conferences– September 9, 2021 & February 10, 2022**  
A time to pick up report cards and meet and discuss your child's progress with his/her teacher.
- ◆ **Parent Feedback Night– September 14, 2021**  
Opportunity to look over, revise and give feedback and suggestions on the Family Engagement Plan, School-Parent Compacts, Family Engagement budget & our School Improvement Plan.
- ◆ **Annual Title I Meeting– September 28, 2021**  
All parents are invited to come and learn about our Title I program and how our school spends Title I monies, the curriculum assessments that our school will be using and family engagement opportunities that will be available. At this time we share the family engagement plan, school improvement plan and the school-parent compacts. Invitations will be sent home with each child and will be on our website and Social Media sites as well.
- ◆ **Reading Curriculum Night– January 2022**  
Parents can come and learn teaching strategies from our Reading teachers so they can help their child better at home.
- ◆ **Math Curriculum Night– January 2022**  
Parents can come and learn teaching strategies from our Math teachers so they can help their child better at home.
- ◆ **Monthly Workshops– Dates to be determined**
  - \*\* **Family Reading Night**-Parents along with students come to the library while the student reads to the parent and has the opportunity to take AR tests
  - \*\* **GA Milestones Assessment Informative**– Parents can come and listen to information concerning the assessment like testing dates and scores.
- ◆ **Spring Parent Feedback Night– May 2022**  
Opportunity to look over, revise and give feedback and suggestions on the Family Engagement Plan, School-Parent Compacts, Family Engagement budget & our School Improvement Plan.

## Parent & Family Engagement

Clinch Middle believes that family engagement means the participation of parents and family members 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.

## Family Engagement Standards

Clinch Middle 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. Welcome All Families
2. Communicate Effectively
3. Support Student Success
4. Speak Up For Every Child
5. Share Power
6. Collaborate with the Community

Clinch Middle is committed to helping our parents and families attend the family activities listed in this plan. Please call or email me if you have any questions or concerns about participating in our programs.

Lori Register- 912-487-5385  
Lregister@clinchcounty.com

## 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 student and school goals for academic achievement, please provide us with your comments in the space provided and leave this form at the front desk for the Family Engagement Coordinator or send it back to your child's teacher.

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone #: \_\_\_\_\_

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## School Council Committee

Clinch Middle invites all parents to join the School Council to share ideas and ways to involve other parents and family members to build partnerships with school, families, and the community. The committee meets four times during the school year, but parents and family members can submit their ideas or suggestions at any school activity or meeting as well as through our parent surveys and website. If you would like to learn more about the School Council Committee, please feel free to contact the principal, Mrs. Caroline Lankford at 912-487-5385.