

PFEP 2018-2019

Our full Parent and Family Engagement Plan is available in our Family Resource Room.

Stop in any time!



Definition of Parental Involvement

Parental involvement means the participation of parents in regular, two-way and meaningful communication involving student academic learning and other school activities. As a school, we will provide opportunities for parents to:

- ◆ play an integral role in assisting your child's learning;
- ◆ be actively involved in your child's education at school;
- ◆ be full partners in your child's education;
- ◆ be included, as appropriate, in decision making and on advisory committees to assist in the education of your child;
- ◆ be involved in other offered informative activities.

School staff is available for meeting, and appointments may be arranged by contacting Ruth Upson at 904-381-7485

Ruth Upson Elementary School Parent and Family Engagement Plan 2018-2019



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Title I

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Ruth Upson Elementary is a Title I School

Title I is a federally funded program for schools. The funds are used for educational services for children to provide additional support to ensure academic success. The focus of the Title I program is on helping all students meet high standards. At Ruth Upson Elementary, our Title I program provides the following:

- ⇒ Teachers who work with students who can benefit from additional support
- ⇒ Learning resources for students
- ⇒ Professional learning resources for teachers
- ⇒ Resources and activities for parents to access as they support their child academically.



**Ruth Upson Elementary School
Parent and Family Engagement Plan**

What is it?

Our Parent and Family Engagement Plan is a plan that outlines what we will provide for parents and guardians, and how we will work together, to strengthen the academic success of each child in our school. Our Parent and Family Engagement (P&FE) Plan is based upon school goals for student academic achievement and is developed by parents/guardians and school staff.

How is it revised?

Ruth Upson Elementary Parent and Family Engagement Plan is updated every year with input from parents and school staff. During our July and August SAC meetings, parent suggestions and input are gathered for the development of an updated Parent and Family Engagement Plan and Parent Engagement Budget. The availability of a suggestion box in the Parent and Family Engagement room is used, as well as, meetings planned specifically for developing the plan together. Once the plan is created, it will be presented to parents and school staff during SAC and PTA meetings final agreement. It will then be introduced as the Parent and Family Engagement Plan at the Annual Title I Parent Involvement Meeting which takes place in early August of every school year.

School-Parent Compacts

Ruth Upson Elementary Parent and Family Engagement Plan includes a Compact, which is developed jointly by staff, parents/guardians, and students. The Compact is an agreement that explains how parents/guardians, teachers and students will work together to make sure that every student is supported in reaching academic success. All parents of students at Ruth Upson Elementary School are invited to review the Compact and provide feedback and input every year. Revisions are made and are based on input from parents, students and teachers. They are discussed in August at Open House time, and serve as a reminder of our commitment to action in supporting each student at Hal Hutchens. All parents keep a copy of the compact. The Compact will be referenced throughout the year by students, parents and teachers at parent engagement meetings, in student goal-setting, and in designing lessons.



**Ruth Upson Elementary
Parent Resource Center**



Location: Room 121,
Across from Main Office

Open Daily 8:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m.

Ruth Upson Elementary is pleased to offer a growing Parent Resource Center! It is filled with resources for parents to borrow (for free) as you work with your child on academic support. There is also a computer and a printer available for your use. Resources are added throughout the year, and are chosen based on requests from parents and input from teachers. We feature the latest additions in parent meetings and workshops, and encourage access to the center through flyers, phone calls and articles in school newsletters. Please consider this to be your home while at school!



You are Invited!



Ruth Upson Elementary will host the following events and will provide support to build the capacity for strong parental engagement to support a partnership among the school, parents and the community to improve student academic achievement. Meetings and activities will be provided at a variety of times to help accommodate parent/guardian schedules. All parents will receive notification and invitation to events in school newsletters, website, and bulletins/notices. All meetings are in the Media center unless otherwise noted.

- ◆ Orientation—August 10, 2018 from 1pm until 3pm
- ◆ Open House – September 6, 2018 at 6pm. Meet your child’s teacher and our friendly and helpful school staff.
- ◆ PTA Meetings—1st Monday of Every month at 6:30pm in the Media Center
- ◆ SAC Meetings—1st Monday of Every month at 6pm in the Media Center
- ◆ Dad’s Bring your Child to School Day— September 26, 2018 Snacks in the Media Center
- ◆ Family Reading Night— October 25th at 6pm
- ◆ Parenting Workshop—November 5th at 6:30pm
- ◆ Mid Year Stakeholders Meeting— February 4th at 6:00pm
- ◆ Additional Meeting Topics that will be offered-TBA
 - ◆ PTA and volunteer opportunities – room moms, committee chairs, classroom volunteers and family spirit nights/events..
 - ◆ Getting Ready for Next Year: Your Input is Needed! (PFEP Plan, FEP Budget, SIP, and Compact) .
 - ◆ Other topics, as parents may request.