Walton County School District

**Walnut Grove High School**

**Title I Parent Involvement Plan**

**2014-2015**

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**Title I Information**

Title I is a federally funded program designed to ensure that all children have a fair and equal opportunity to obtain a high-quality education and that students graduate with the skills and competence to be able to succeed in college or the work force. The mission of Title I is to ensure that each child successfully meets or exceeds expectations on local, state, and national testing. WGHS is identified as a Title I school as part of the Elementary and Secondary Education Act of 1965 (ESEA). Schools participating in Title I programs must provide effective ways to improve student achievement and increase parent involvement. All Title I schools must jointly develop with all parents a written parental involvement policy which is updated annually with input from parents.

**Walton County School District Goals**

1. WCSD's **projected** student performance pass rate on the **new ELA Georgia Milestones Assessment** (which includes Reading, ELA, and Writing) for 2015, baseline year is 57%;
2. WCSD's **projected** student performance pass rate on the **new Math Georgia Milestones Assessment** for 2015, baseline year is 53%

**Our School Goals**

1. Increase student growth by 3% in areas of Math, English, Social Studies and Science;
2. Increase graduation rate from 81.8 to 85%;
3. Increase awareness of dual enrollment opportunities

**WGHS Title I Parent Involvement Plan**

**What is it?** This plan describes how Walnut Grove High School will provide opportunities to improve parent engagement to support student learning. WGHS recognizes and 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 different ways WGHS 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?** Walnut Grove High School welcomes parent input and comments at any time regarding the plan. All parent feedback will be reviewed in revising the plan for next year. The plan is posted on our school website for parents to review and post feedback throughout the year. WGHS distributes an annual parent survey online to ask parents for their suggestions and feedback on curriculum, expectations, academic concerns, and school and student improvement. All WGHS parents are invited to attend quarterly Title I parent meetings to become better informed about how the Title I Program impacts student learning, how Title I funds are spent at the school, and to learn about school goals and the School Improvement Plan.

**Who is it for?** All WGHS students and their families are encouraged and invited to fully participate in the opportunities described in this plan. WGHS will provide full opportunities for the participation of parents with limited English, parents with disabilities and parents of migratory children.

**Where is it available?** The plan is posted on the school website ([www.walnutgrovehigh.org](http://www.walnutgrovehigh.org)). Copies are available in the Parent Information Center, on the Title Message Board and in the front office.

**School-Parent Compact**

Walnut Grove High Schools’ School-Parent Compact is developed jointly with parents, school staff and students. The compact is an agreement that explains how all stakeholders will work together to ensure student academic success. Each year the school compact is revised to reflect current school goals and concerns that impact student learning. Parents and students are encouraged to provide suggestions and feedback on the compact revision. Compacts are distributed to the families of all students at WGHS at the beginning of the school year.

**Opportunities to Enhance Student Success**

Morning and afternoon tutoring is available in core subject areas every day. Credit Recovery through the 21st Century Learning grant is available Monday-Thursday afternoons throughout the school year. The Communities in Schools program helps students with non-academic concerns such as attendance, food, clothing, hygiene and school supplies in order for them to be successful academically. Study Island, OAS and USA Test Prep online programs are available to students for additional practice for state and national tests including the Georgia Milestones End of Course

Assessments, SAT, ACT, and Georgia High School Writing Test. A common rubric is used for writing in all subjects at WGHS. Intersession is available 2 times per year for credit recovery for students scoring 60-69 in core classes and 2 times per year for additional math instruction.

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**Parent Involvement Program and Activities / School Calendar of Events**

WGHS strives to involve parents in a variety of ways. These opportunities are meetings and events related to student academic success. Parents are encouraged to review this \*school calendar of events and activities and plan to participate, if applicable.

**\* School Calendar - 3rd Quarter**

January 2nd & 3rd: Credit Recovery for students who made 60-69 in a core class to

 receive remediation to bring grade up to a passing grade of 70.

January 7: 1st semester Report Cards available on iCampus or for pickup at school.

January TBA: 2nd semester Curriculum Night -provides an opportunity for parents to

 meet their students’ teachers and find out what they will be learning second semester. February TBA: Title I Parent Advisory Meeting

February TBA: School Council meeting

February 4: Progress Report posted to iCampus

February TBA: Financial Aid Night – Seniors and their parents are encouraged to attend

 to learn about completing FAFSA forms and finding ways to pay for college.

February 19-20: Spring intersession- Students who need extra help in math are invited

 to come in for two half days to bring up their grades.

March TBA : 9th grade orientation for parents and students.

**\* School Calendar - 1st Quarter**

August 5,7,8: iPad roll out. All students and parents may come to the school to pick up the school district issued iPad and be trained on responsibilities for and set up of iPad; review of School/Parent Compact and Parent Involvement Plan

August 5: Freshman Transition – 9th grade students and parents are provided an overview of WGHS procedures, an introduction to the WGHS Title I School-wide program,

 curriculum offerings, campus life and a tour of the school;

August 21: Curriculum night provides an opportunity for parents to meet their students’ teachers and find out what they will be learning throughout the semester.

August/September: : Title I Parent Compact sent home to be reviewed, signed and dated by students and their parents.

September 9: College Probe Fair and Career Expo.  Seniors and juniors are invited to meet with over 100 college and business representatives to learn about post-secondary opportunities and requirements. Parents are also encouraged to visit.

September 10: Progress reports posted on iCampus

September: School Council meeting. All parents are invited to discuss school goals and concerns for the 2014-15 school year.

October 15: Progress Report posted on iCampus. Copies are available upon

 request.

**\* School Calendar - 4th Quarter**

March 17: 2nd Progress Report posted to iCampus.

April 20: Progress Report posted to iCampus

April TBA:  Title I Parent Advisory Meeting at 7:30-8:00am. Agenda may include Annual Parent Survey Results. Parents will be provided an opportunity to provide

 suggestions and input on the revision to the WGHS Title I Parent Plan and School-

 Parent Compact for the 2015-2016 school year.

April TBA: School Council Meeting.

May 16: Graduation

May 21-22: Credit Recovery for 2nd semester courses.

May 20: 2nd semester Report Cards available on iCampus or for pickup at school.

**\* School Calendar - 2nd Quarter**

October 20, 21 – Intersession. Students who need extra help in math are invited

 to come in for two half days to bring up their grades.
November 11: Georgia Apply to College Day sponsored by Communities In School

 (CIS). This event provides students time and assistance to fill out college

 applications during the school day. Some application fees are waived for this event.

November 17: Progress Report posted on iCampus

November TBA: Title I Parent Advisory Meeting . All WGHS parents are

 invited to attend.

November TBA: School Council meeting

December 22-23 – : Credit Recovery for students who made 60-69 in a core class to

 receive remediation to bring grade up to a passing grade of 70.

***\* See school website at (***[**www.walnutgrovehigh.org**](http://www.walnutgrovehigh.org)***) for updates and***

 ***announcements of upcoming events.***

**How WGHS Provides Assistance to Parents to Support Student Learning**

WGHS invites all parents to join us in sharing ideas and ways to involve other parents to build partnerships with school, families and the community. We appreciate suggestions for use of Title I funding for parent involvement. Please join us for one of the many activities listed on page 2 of this plan or on the school website atwalnutgrovehigh.org. You may also submit suggestions or ideas to Lisa Smith at lasmith@walton.k12.ga.us or Tammy Wade at twade@walton.k12.ga.us or at 678-507-3900.