

Montlieu Academy of Technology

Title I Parent and Family Engagement (PFE) Requirements 2022-2023

The Every Student Succeeds Act (ESSA) is a federal program to provide all children significant opportunity to receive a fair, equitable, and high-quality education, and to close educational achievement gaps. A requirement of ESSA is that each school shall jointly develop with, and distribute to, parents and family members a written plan that describes how the school will meet legislative requirements.

This document outlines how our school will meet the ESSA requirements listed below:

- Convene an annual meeting, at a convenient time, to inform parents of the school's participation in and requirements of Title I and the parents' right to be involved;
- Offer a flexible number of meetings (morning, evening, weekend, etc.)
- Involve parents in an organized, ongoing, and timely way, in the planning, review, and improvement of programs, including the planning, review, and improvement of the school parent and family engagement plan and the joint development of the schoolwide program;
- Provide parents:
 - ✓ Timely information about programs;
 - ✓ A description and explanation of the curriculum in use at the school, the forms of academic assessment used to measure student progress, and the achievement levels of the challenging State academic standards;
 - ✓ If requested by parents, opportunities for regular meetings to formulate suggestions and to participate, as appropriate, in decisions relating to the education of their children, and respond to any such suggestions as soon as practicably possible.
- Allow for parent comments on the schoolwide plan.

Our Plan to meet ESSA Requirements:

- **Annual Meeting:** Will be conducted in conjunction with our Open House event.
- **Flexible Meetings:** All school events will be offered at different times throughout the day in an effort to accommodate family schedules. Parent-teacher conferences will be scheduled during 1st and 3rd Quarter at times that works best for the family. Events and conferences will also be offered virtually to allow families the opportunity to participate on-line.
- **Involve parents in the development of PFE plan and the Title I program:** Parents on the School Improvement Team will have the opportunity to provide input. All other families will have the opportunity to view the draft that will be posted on our website and provide feedback.
- **Provide information to parents:** Important information will be shared via weekly Monday folders, school newsletters, ClassDojo, Sunday phone calls from the Principal and school social media sites. We encourage all families to stay connected.
- **Allow for comments on plans:** During Spring 2022, families will have the opportunity to view the draft that will be posted on our website and provide feedback on the draft. Feedback will then be considered, and the plan updated to the greatest extent possible.

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WHAT IS A SCHOOL-PARENT AND FAMILY COMPACT?

A School-Parent Compact for Achievement is an agreement developed jointly by parents, students and teachers that follows the federal guidelines as stated in the Every Student Succeeds Act (ESSA). The compact explains how parents and teachers will collaborate to make sure all students reach or exceed grade-level standards.

COMMITMENT FROM OUR SCHOOL

We are committed to:

- Helping parents understand what children are learning and doing in their classrooms by providing frequent opportunities for parents to learn about curriculum, their child's academic progress and ways that families can support their child at home.
- Supporting parent participation in learning activities by offering family events and resources that they can use at home to support their child.
- Providing several methods for regular teacher-parent communication, so that parents are kept up-to-date on their child (ren)'s progress by sharing newsletters, classroom/behavior updates, individual communications, and social media. Hosting parent- teacher conferences 1st and 3rd quarter (or by request).
- Providing support from Guilford County School's Guilford Parent Academy by hosting parent workshops throughout the year to provide opportunities to learn firsthand about available resources and strategies for supporting your child's continuous progress.
- Ensuring that the language and format of the School-Parent Compact and other information regarding school activities are family-friendly by providing information in multiple languages to the greatest extent possible.
- Providing parents, the opportunity in developing and revising the school compact by soliciting input from parents on the School Improvement Team. In addition, all families will have the opportunity to view the draft that will be posted on our website and provide feedback.
- Building the capacity of school staff to support parent and family engagement by providing professional development in the area of parental involvement along with other helpful tips and resources to meet the needs of all families.

COMMITMENT FROM PARENTS AND FAMILY

As parents and family members invested in the education of our children, we promise to:

- Be responsible for supporting my children's learning at school by ensuring my child is at school on time each day; **COMMUNICATING** regularly using ClassDojo and update contact information when changes occur; **CONFERENCING** with my child's teacher twice a year and/or by teacher request; **SUPPORTING** positive learning behaviors each day that follow the Montlieu Standards of Success and GCS Parent-Student Handbook and **VISITING** the classroom to observe behavior.
- Be responsible for supporting our children's learning at home by. **MONITORING** my child's social media posts and content; **BEING** an active participate/observer of homework by supporting our children's learning at home by providing quiet time to work and ensuring our child reads or is read to for **AT LEAST 15-30 minutes** and practicing math facts nightly; **ASKING** my child how their learning progressed each day.

COMMITMENT FROM STUDENTS

As students who want a first-class education, we promise to:

- Be responsible and take ownership of my learning at school by...**FOLLOWING** our Standards of Success and GCS Code of Conduct; **CONTROLLING** my emotions and verbal/non-verbal communications; **COMPLETING** all assignments, ask questions when we are uncertain, and **ALWAYS** do better each day.
- Be responsible and take ownership of learning at home by...**READING** 15-30 minutes and **PRACTICING** math facts nightly.
- Be responsible and take ownership of my learning at school **AND** at home by...**USING** school and personal technology appropriately and responsibly, along with social media sites, that follow the federal, state and district guidelines, **ABIDING** by anti-bullying behavior in all environments.

PARENT AND FAMILY ENGAGEMENT ACTIVITIES

We value our partnerships with all stakeholders and are proud of the many opportunities available for parents to be actively involved in the school and activities to support their child. This year, families will be invited to:

- Join the PTA and work alongside us to improve our school community.
- Attend 3 parent sessions per year (occurring at varying times; offered both face-to-face and on-line) to learn ways to support their child's learning at home and to receive helpful resources. These sessions will provide parents with firsthand opportunities to work alongside their child to learn how to make connections between curriculum and engage in fun activities to excite their child in learning while at home. Additionally, dinner and child-friendly activities will be provided. Such events maybe Curriculum Nights, Lunch and Learns, classroom walk-through (virtual or face-to-face) etc.
- Volunteer 4 hours or more to enhance the school-parent partnership that can include supporting teachers with classroom materials, listen to children read, support implementation of various school events, etc. Documentation for employer will be provided.
- Attend parent sessions hosted by the Guilford County Parent Academy as a means of learning of district wide resources and strategies that will lead to lifelong success for both parents/guardians and their children.

MISSION STATEMENT

Montlieu Academy, in pursuit of educational excellence, will empower all scholars to become positive and productive citizens, high academic achievers and lifelong learners. Our scholars will understand the need for rigorous, equitable and diversified education while also infusing emerging technology. They will be motivated and prepared to become college and career ready in a globally competitive society.