

# Ben Hill Primary School

## *Parental Involvement Policy and Plan for Shared Student Success*

*2023-2024 School Year*

*Ben Hill Primary  
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### What is Title I?

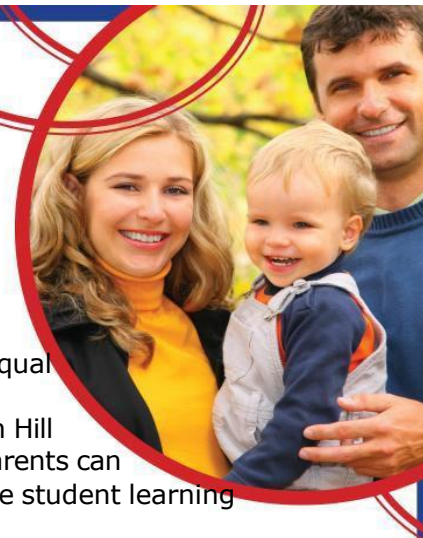
Ben Hill Primary School is identified as a Title I school as part of the Elementary and Secondary Education Act of 1965 (ESEA). Title I is designed to support state and local school reform efforts tied to challenging state academic standards to reinforce and enhance efforts to improve teaching and learning for students. Title I programs must be based on effective means of improving student achievement and include strategies to support parental involvement. All Title I schools must jointly develop with parents a written engagement policy.



## School Plan for Shared Student Achievement

### What is it?

This is a plan that describes how Ben Hill Primary School will provide opportunities to improve parent engagement to support student learning. Ben Hill Primary values the contributions and involvement of parents to establish an equal partnership for the common goal of improving student achievement. This plan describes the different ways that Ben Hill Primary School 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 revised?

Ben Hill Primary School reviews and revises this plan annually based on parent input and comments throughout the school year. The plan is posted on our school web site for parents to view and submit feedback. All parent feedback received during the year will be used to revise the plan for the next school year. We also distribute an annual survey online to ask parents for their suggestions on the plan and the use of funds for family engagement. Parents can also give feedback during several parent meetings and activities during the school year.

### Who is it 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. Ben Hill Primary School will provide full opportunities for the participation of parents with limited English, parents with disabilities and parents of migratory children.

### Where is it available?

At the beginning of the year, the plan is included in the student handbook that is given to all students. The plan will also be posted on the school web site and social media.

## *2023-2024 Mission*

*Empowering all students for success.*

### *2023-2024 School Goals*

- Cultivate a climate and culture of achievement through reading that supports students as independent thinkers who are successful through all aspects of the Science of Reading.
- Cultivate a climate and culture of achievement through math instruction and student achievement.
- Cultivate a climate and culture to improve student growth from the beginning of the year writing samples to the end of the year writing samples.
- Cultivate a culture and climate that prioritizes communication and collaboration with all stakeholders that aligns with achievement for all students.

### *School-Parent Compacts*

Ben Hill Primary School and our families have developed a school-parent-teacher compact, which is an agreement that parents, teachers, and students will work together to make sure all students reach grade-level essential standards. The compacts will be reviewed and updated annually based on feedback from parents, students and teachers. The school-compact is kept in the student's permanent record. A copy can be requested at any time.

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

Ben Hill Primary School 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. **All events will be announced, and dates will be sent home with your student. Dates are subject to change.**

*Open House: July 31<sup>st</sup>*

*Grandparents & Grandfriends Luncheon: Sept. 7<sup>th</sup>*

*1<sup>st</sup> Grade Team B Pride Program: Sept. 29<sup>th</sup>*

*Parent/Teacher Conferences: Oct. 16<sup>th</sup>-20<sup>th</sup>*

*Accelerated Reader Night: October 26<sup>th</sup>*

*1<sup>st</sup> Grade Team A Pride Program: Oct. 27<sup>th</sup>*

*Fall Festival: November 16<sup>th</sup>*

*K Team B Pride Program: December 15<sup>th</sup>*

*STEAM Night: January 18<sup>th</sup>*

*Muffins in the Morning: Feb. 1<sup>st</sup>*

*K Team A Pride Program: Feb. 16<sup>th</sup>*

*Parent/Teacher Conferences: March 18<sup>th</sup>-22<sup>nd</sup>*

*2<sup>nd</sup> Grade Pride Program: March 29<sup>th</sup>*

*Doughnuts with Grownups: April 25<sup>th</sup>*

*Kindergarten Information Night: May 2<sup>nd</sup>*

*Academic Achievement Celebrations: May 8<sup>th</sup>-10<sup>th</sup>*

*Field Days: May 16<sup>th</sup>-20<sup>th</sup>*



## Parent Resource Center

To find out more about the Parent Involvement, contact Jenny McCranie,

Parent Involvement

Coordinator @

[Jenny.mccranie@benhillschools.org](mailto:Jenny.mccranie@benhillschools.org)

(229) 409-5500

## Parental Involvement

Ben Hill Primary School believes that parental involvement means the participation of parents in regular two-way, and meaningful communication that involves student academic learning and other school activities. This communication ensures the following:

- 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.

Ben Hill Primary School is committed to helping our parents attend the parental activities listed in this plan. Please call if you have questions about any of the activities provided.

(229)409-5592

## Ben Hill Primary is Reaching Out!

Ben Hill Primary School 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 is published in both English and Spanish, posted on the school web site, and included in the Hurricane Herald, which is posted on the district website and on social media pages.

Provide trainings for staff as needed on strategies to improve communication with parents and ideas to increase family engagement.

Partner with Head Start and Pre-K programs by conducting an orientation meeting for parents and sending school information about parent engagement activities to help prepare parents and their child for kindergarten and improve school transition.

Share information in English and Spanish in the teacher 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, and flyers.

Provide necessary materials and handouts for parents at conferences, meetings, and activities to help parents work with their child to improve their child's achievement.

Use our Partners in Education to improve awareness of the activities and events listed in the school parental involvement policy.

Collect feedback from parents at all events and respond to parents' requests for additional information.



## Parent/Teacher Organization

### What We Do:

- Raise Money
- Sponsor School Events:
- Purchase supplies & interactive, fun items for students and teachers.

How to Join: Please complete the following link:

<https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/8MMGF98>

## School and Community

Ben Hill Primary School invites all parents to share ideas and ways to involve other parents to build partnerships with school, families, and the community. If you would like to learn more about how to become involved, please contact the principal at (229) 409-5592 or complete the interest form and leave it in the Main Office.



## Volunteering

Yes, I am interested in volunteering at Ben Hill Primary School Please contact me so I can learn more about how to volunteer. Please send me notifications about meetings and updates.

Name:

Child's Name:

Child's Address:

Phone Number & email:

## 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 students' and the school's goals for academic achievement, please provide us with your comments in the space provided and leave this form in the Main Office:

Name: (optional)

Telephone Number:

(optional) Comment: