

David L. Rainer Elementary School

Parent and Family Engagement Plan for Shared Student Success

2023-2024 School Year

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What is Title I?

David L. Rainer 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 plan.



School Plan for Shared Student Achievement

What is it?

This is a plan that describes how David L. Rainer Elementary will provide opportunities to improve family engagement to support student learning. DLR values the contributions and involvement of parents and family members to establish an equal partnership for the common goal of improving student achievement. This plan describes the different ways that DLR 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 it revised?

David L. Rainer Elementary School invited all parents to attend our annual Stakeholder Input meeting last spring to review and revise this parent and family engagement plan, staff and parent trainings, our school-parent compact, and the family engagement budget. We also distributed an annual survey online to ask parents for their suggestions on the plan and the use of funds for family engagement. Parents and family members can also give feedback during several parent meetings and activities during the school year including our Camden County Collaborative Connections, also referred to as C-4 meetings.

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. David L. Rainer Elementary will provide full opportunity for the participation of parents and family members with limited English, with disabilities, and of migratory children.

Where is it available?

The plan will also be posted on the school website and social media. The plan may also be shared through email and Class Dojo. Paper copies will be available for parents during the Title I Annual Meeting held before November 1. Parents can also retrieve a copy of the plan in the Parent Resource Center.

2023-2024 District Goals

The Board of Education sets goals for the entire district.

□ To increase the percentage of students in grades 3- 12 meeting proficient or higher on the GMAS ELA EOC/EOG from 53% to 56% (ES), from 52% to 55% (MS), and from 59% to 62% (HS).

□ To increase the percentage of students in grades 3- 12 meeting proficient or higher on the GMAS Math EOC/EOG from 59% to 62% (ES), from 47% to 50% (MS), from 50% to 53% (HS).

2023-2024 School Goals

David L. Rainer Elementary School will increase the students reading on grade level and problem solving in math by four percentage points as measured by Lexile scores and math proficiency on the Georgia Milestones End of Grades Assessment.

This year we will focus on vocabulary and writing across the curriculum in Reading and problem solving and fluency in math.

School-Parent Compacts

As part of this plan, David L. Rainer and our families will develop a school-parent compact, which is an agreement that parents, teachers, and students will develop that explains how parents and teachers will work together to make sure all our students reach grade-level standards. The compacts will be reviewed and updated annually based on feedback from parents, students, and teachers during the Spring Stakeholder Input Meeting.

The school-parent compacts also are shared with parents during parent-teacher conferences and kept with each child's teacher if parents need another copy.

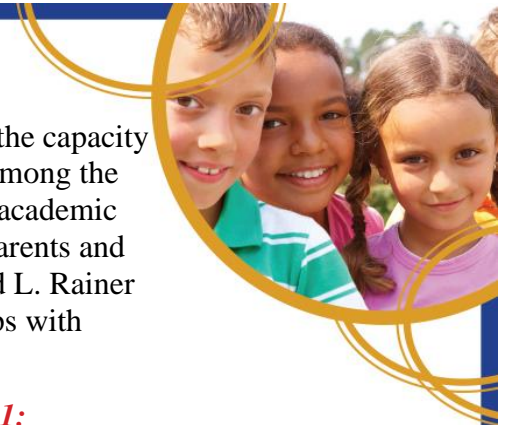
Let's Get Together!

David L. Rainer will host the following events to build the capacity for strong family engagement to support a partnership among the school, parents, and the community to improve student academic achievement. Flexible and multiple meeting times for parents and family members will be held throughout the year. David L. Rainer offers ongoing events and programs to build partnerships with families. Stay tuned for more specific information!

Annual Title I Meeting – October 10th at 9:00am and 1:

We invite you to join us to learn about our Title I program, including our parent and family engagement plan, the school-parent compacts, building staff and parent capacity, and the budget for Parent and Family activities. Invitations will be emailed, shared via social media, and posted on the school website.

- Grade Level C-4 Meetings (Camden County Collaborative Conferences)
- Volunteering Orientation and Training ongoing throughout the year
- Open House
- Parent Resource Center
- Fall Festival
- Winter Celebrations
- Book Fairs
- Stakeholder Input Meetings
- Valentine's Day Dance
- Terrific Kids Assemblies
- Arts Shows and Exhibits
- Kindergarten Thanksgiving Event
- Field Day
- Chorus Concert
- History Night
- Santa Secret Shop Family Night



Parent Resource Center

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.

Monday – Friday, 8:30 am – 2:30 pm

Parent and Family Engagement

David L. Rainer Elementary 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 to assist in the education of their child.
- The carrying out of other activities as described in this plan.

If the schoolwide program plan under section 1114(b) is not satisfactory to the parents of participating children, each school served under this part shall submit any parent comments on the plan when the school makes the plan available to the local educational agency [or district].

David L. Elementary is committed to helping our parents and families attend the family activities listed in this plan. Please call or email us if you need assistance with childcare or transportation in order to participate in our programs.

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David L. Rainer Elementary is Branching Out!

David L. Rainer Elementary will 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 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 website, and included in Class DOJO for all families.
- ✓ Provide trainings for staff during their planning periods 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. Staff will also share best practices during regularly scheduled faculty meetings.
- ✓ Partner with early childhood programs, middle and high schools, and parent resource centers, or other programs (as applicable) to help prepare parents and their children for successful school transitioning.
- ✓ Share information in English and Spanish on the school website and through Class Dojo 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 schoolwide events and activities, through phone messages, social media, and flyers.
- ✓ Work with our 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 to improve their child's achievement.
- ✓ Collect feedback to parents' requests at all events for additional support for parent and family engagement activities.



Parent and Family Engagement Standards

David L. Rainer Elementary 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. Welcoming All Families
2. Communicating Effectively
3. Supporting Student Success
4. Speaking Up for Every Child
5. Sharing Power
6. Collaborating with Community

Parent Volunteers

David L. Rainer Elementary invites all parents to volunteer in the school to share ideas and ways to involve other parents and family members to build partnerships with school, families, and the community. Parents and family members can also submit their ideas or suggestions at any school activities and meetings, as well as through our parent surveys and website. If you would like to learn more about volunteering, please contact the principal at (912) 729-9071 or complete the interest form and leave it in the Main Office.



Parent Volunteer

- Yes, I am interested and would like to volunteer in the school
- Please contact me so I can learn more about volunteering in the school.
- Please send me notifications about future volunteer training dates.

Name: _____

Child's Name and Grade: _____

Address: _____

Phone Number: _____

Email address: _____

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) _____

