

Parent Notifications

As required by Every Student Succeeds Act (ESSA), the following information is annually shared with parents. The distribution of this document shall serve as a formal notification to parents regarding the following issues:

Right to Request Information

Each parent of a student in a Title I school has the right to request information about the professional qualifications of the student's teacher(s) and any teacher assistants who serve the student. Parents also have the right to request information on policies regarding student's participation in assessments and procedures for opting out. This information will be provided by the administrative office at the child's school upon request. This notice will also be provided by the school to all parents.

Parent Notification Regarding Teachers without State Qualifications and Certification Requirements

The federal Elementary and Secondary Education Act as amended by the Every Student Succeeds Act (ESSA) requires schools that receive Title I, Part A funds to notify parents or legal guardians when their child has been taught for four (4) consecutive weeks by a teacher who has not met "applicable State certification or licensure requirements at the grade level and subject area in which the teacher has been assigned." If this occurs, your child's school will send home a letter giving you information regarding your child's teacher.

Florida Department of Education Family & Community Outreach

The mission of the Bureau of Family and Community Outreach is to empower families and communities with resources and information needed to promote a high quality education for their children. The Bureau reaches out to serve Florida's diverse families and communities in a number of ways, including the Just for Parents online community. We encourage you to participate in our online community and hope you will share this resource with your family and friends.

<http://www.fldoe.org/family/>

Yearling Middle School



2018-2019 Yearling Middle School Parent and Family Engagement Plan Summary

Family Engagement Mission Statement

Yearling Middle School recognizes the valuable contributions that parents make to their students' education. We will embrace every opportunity to involve our parents in preparing each child socially and academically to be valued members of society.

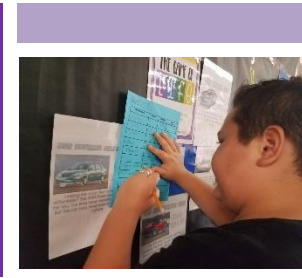
For your convenience, the Parent and Family Engagement Plan is available in its entirety at the front office and on our website at:

<http://yms.okee.k12.fl.us/>



Yearling Middle School Parent and Family Engagement Plan Summary

In support of strengthening student academic achievement, Yearling Middle School receives Title I, Part A funds and therefore must jointly develop with, agree on with, and distribute to parents and family members of participating children a written parent and family engagement plan that contains information required by Section 1116 of the Every Student Succeeds Act (ESSA). The plan outlines the various components of Family Engagement, including: (1) how the school will coordinate with other federal programs, (2) the various family engagement meetings it will hold, (3) how it will build the capacity for strong family engagement, and (4) how it will communicate with parents.



Family Engagement

Yearling Middle School will use the SAC committee, Family Engagement Team, and PTO in order to provide parents with input in school improvement initiatives. The SAC committee meets bimonthly, the AVID program and the PTO meets quarterly. We advertise our meeting and Title I status and initiatives in our monthly newsletter and by utilizing Remind, Facebook and other telecommunications. PTO, Family Engagement Team, and SAC will be responsible for planning, reviewing, and improving the Title 1 program, family engagement initiatives and funding input and approval for Title I and student incentives.

Parent Meetings

Yearling Middle School will offer multiple opportunities to accommodate parents and remove any barriers to family participation. At the first meeting, parents will be asked what time period works best for them. Support will be provided to teachers in the classroom so that they can schedule conferences as needed by the families. In addition, childcare will be provided for those families that may not afford childcare while participating in the meetings. PTO and SAC will be scheduled each month and refreshments, childcare and other items will be available at all events to increase parent participation. Spanish translation will be provided for each activity.

Supporting Partnerships

Yearling Middle School will build the capacity for strong family engagement by providing access to migrant services, the AVID program, and activities and workshops for parents to improve student academic achievement. Other Parent Engagement Activities will include PTO events, DADS, Math/Science Escape Room, and Literacy Nights.

Other Activities

The Title 1 Parent Resource Wall in the front office of the school is available for all families to utilize. The resource wall contains materials for parents explaining all aspects of the Title 1 program as well as free resources provided via the Okeechobee County School Children's Service Council. The District Title 1 Office, the school and the Okeechobee County Children's Service Council, provides the literature/materials.

Professional Development for School Staff

The school will provide the following training in the area of Family Engagement to its staff:

- Importance of Family Engagement
- Reaching Out and Communicating with Parents

Communication

YMS will send newsletters home to ensure that information related to the school, parent programs, meetings, and other activities is sent to the parents of participating children in a timely manner, an understandable format, and to the extent practicable, in a language the parents can understand. Additionally, YMS will ensure that information regarding the parent involvement events is disseminated through various mediums, such as hard copies/flyers, school website, automated phone messages, and school marquees. Teacher conferences are available at the request of parents or as determined by the teacher for the success of the student. Translators will be available when requested.

Full Participation in all School Activities

In keeping with Florida's Consent Decree, Yearling Middle School will hold at least two ELL (English Language Learners) events to ensure that parents/families understand their rights to equal access to all education programs. Notification of these opportunities will be provided to families via automated calls, newsletters, flyers and personal contact. Meetings will be conducted and translated as needed. The Exceptional Student Education specialist is on site to answer parents' questions of students that have special needs. The school counselors are available to assist with families who may be in need of a social worker or Migrant recruiter to ensure students' needs are met.

Fall Family Engagement Events

**Annual Title I Review Meeting
September 28, 2018**

**More to Come:
AVID, Science Fair, FFA
Info Meetings**