

Henderson Mill Elementary
***Parent and Family Engagement Policy
for Shared Student Success***
2020-2021 School Year



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HENDERSON MILL

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What is Title I?

Henderson Mill Elementary is identified as a Title I school as part of the Every Student Succeeds Act of 2015 (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 develop with parents and family members a

What is the Parent and Family Engagement Policy?

This is a policy that describes how our school will provide opportunities to improve parent and family engagement that will support student learning at school and at home. All students and their families are invited and encouraged to fully participate in the opportunities described in this policy. Our school will provide information and as many opportunities as possible for the participation of all parents and family members.

How is the policy developed and revised?

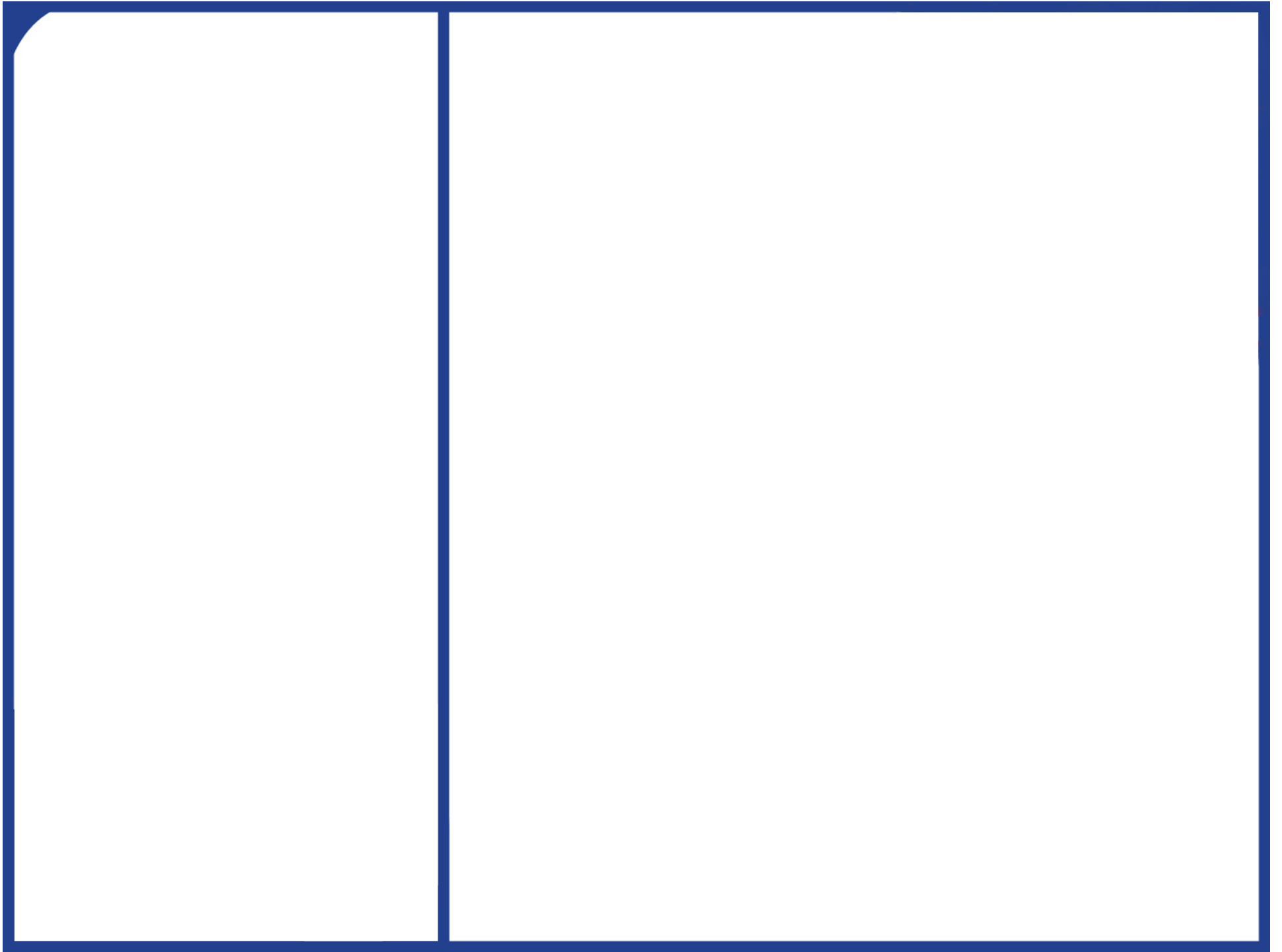
The policy is jointly developed with parents, school staff, students, and community members. It is reviewed and revised annually during Title I Stakeholder's Input Meetings. A draft of the updated policy is available for additional input during the document review period. All feedback forms from the Title I Stakeholder's Input Meetings are submitted to the Title I Office for review. Opportunities are also available for all stakeholders to provide input into the Continuous School Improvement Plan (CSIP), School-Family Compact, building capacity of school staff, and the family engagement 1% set-aside budget.

Where is the policy available?

The policy is available online on our school's Title I webpage located at <http://www.hendersonmilles.dekalb.k12.ga.us/>. Paper copies are available upon request in the front office. Families new to our school will receive a copy during the registration process. Residential facilities (Homeless, foster care, and neglected and delinquent) in our school's attendance area are included in our parent and family engagement correspondence and activities.

Resources for Family Engagement

- ✓ Title 1 Stakeholder Meeting and Curriculum Night, September 10, 2020
- ✓ Multicultural Week – September 21-25
- ✓ Annual Title I Meeting – October 7, 2020
- ✓ Book Fair Family Night - October, 2020
- ✓ Parent Conferences – October, 2020
- ✓ Literacy Night - November, 2020
- ✓ Math Night – December, 2020
- ✓ Community Open House - February, 2020
- ✓ Parent Conferences March - 2020
- ✓ March Mania Celebration - March, 2020
- ✓ STEM Night - April, 2020
- ✓ Career Day - May, 2020



2020-2021 District Goals

Goals of DeKalb County School District

Goal Area I: Student Success with Equity and Access

The DeKalb County School District will increase the percentage of students scoring at the Developing Learner level or above on the Georgia Milestones Literature and Math End of Grade (EOG) Assessment

2020-2021 School Academic Goals

Goals of Henderson Mill Elementary

1. Increase the percentage of 3rd, 4th, and 5th grade students reading at grade level in ELA by 3% as measured on the Georgia Milestone Assessment for 2020-2021.
2. Increase the percentage of 3rd, 4th, and 5th grade students in the developing or higher range in math by 3% as measured by Georgia Milestone Assessment for 2020-2021.

Committed to Student Success Through Parent and Family Engagement

School-Family Compacts

Our school will collaborate with parents to jointly develop a school-family compact that outlines how families, students, and the entire school staff will share the responsibility for improved student academic achievement. The compact explains how the school and families will build and develop a partnership to help children achieve the high academic standards of the district and state.

Curriculum and Assessment Information

Our school will keep you informed throughout the year about what your child(ren) is learning during Curriculum nights, parent-teacher conferences, and on our school website. The school will also provide parents with individual results of academic assessments including MAP and Georgia Milestones Assessments.

Training Staff on Parent and Family Engagement

Based on feedback from parents provided on surveys, feedback forms, and comments during our Stakeholder Input Meetings, we will train our staff to better communicate with, value utility and contributions of, and collaborate with parents as equal partners.

Reservation of Funds

Parents will participate in the development of the 1% parent and family engagement set-aside during the Stakeholder Input Meetings. Parents are also encouraged to complete surveys and feedback forms regarding the parental set-aside. The information will be shared at the Annual Title I Meeting.

Annual Title I Meeting

We will hold the Annual Title I Meeting on September 10, 2020. The meeting will be held at a convenient time to accommodate all stakeholders. Invitations will be sent to all parents via: calling posts, text messages, parent portal, and flyers.

Coordination of Services and Transition Support

Our school will designate Dr. Dawn Sudler to collaborate with feeder schools and **designated agencies** to support students and families. Additionally, we will provide families and students support in transitioning to kindergarten by inviting parents and students to a rising kindergarten orientation at our school. Additionally, we will provide families and students support in transitioning to middle school with a school orientation and middle school tour.

Parent Resources and Trainings

We are committed to building our parents' capacity to improve student academic achievement! We will host several parent workshops to empower you when working with your child(ren) at home. Please review the attached Calendar of Events for parent meetings and family events held at various times of the day.

Support for Parents of English Language Learners (ELL)

Information related to the school and parent programs, meetings, and other activities, is sent to the parents of participating children in an understandable and uniform, including alternative formats upon request and, to the extent practicable, in a language the parents can understand.

Other Reasonable Support

Henderson Mill Elementary will work with families to develop helpful presentations to educate our staff on the importance of family engagement, provide math and literacy training for parents, arrange school meetings at different times of the day, and collaborate with community leaders and partners in education to develop a partnerships community-based organizations and businesses in parent and family engagement activities.

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