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Parent and Family Engagement Plan Summary SY25

Mission Statement

The Everglades Preparatory Academy Title 1 Parent and Family Engagement Program strives to build relationships to create real family engagement for every child, every family, and every teacher. We believe that effective schools are a direct result of schools, students, and families working together. At Everglades Preparatory Academy, we are committed to collaborating with parents/caregivers to provide a safe and nurturing learning environment, one in which all students can learn and achieve their goal of receiving a high school diploma. As such, we believe that the involvement of parents/caregivers is vital to achieving our mission, which is working together to ensure that all students are college, career, or workplace ready after successfully receiving their high school diploma.

Involvement of Stakeholders

Everglades Preparatory Academy invites all parents, teachers, administrators, and community members to participate in the writing and development of the School-Wide Plan.

Annual Meeting

Everglades Preparatory Academy holds an annual Title I Meeting each fall to provide families with information regarding how the school intends to use Title I funds to support their child(ren)'s education. This year's meeting will be held **October 17, 2024** and a copy of the presentation will be available on the school's website at www.evergladesprepacademy.com.

Trainings for Faculty, Staff and Families

Everglades Preparatory Academy will host training throughout the school year that supports and reinforces its annual school improvement goals. During the 2023-2024 school year, training will be focused on supporting the needs of students within our special populations including migrant students, students that qualify for McKinney Vento services and students that require additional intensive support through the Multi-Tiered Systems of Support (MTSS) process; including the Child Study Team process.

Collaboration with Community Partnerships

Everglades Preparatory Academy values its community partnerships and is currently partnered with the following organizations:

- Palm Beach State TRIO Program, Belle Glade Campus
- SDPBC's Support Specialists- ELL, ESE, Migrant Education, McKinney Vento, MTSS, Secondary Curriculum
- CareerSource of Belle Glade
- Palm Beach County Youth Services

Everglades Preparatory Academy continues to seek additional partnerships as we work with the community to support our students in a "wrap-around" approach to education and teaching the "whole" child.

Communication

On-going and timely communication is important to supporting the goals of Everglades Preparatory Academy. Everglades Preparatory Academy communicates with students, families and other stakeholders through the following methods:

- GoogleWorkspace which includes Google Meet, Student Gmail, Google Classroom and Google Chat
- TeacherEase Student and Parent Portal
- Edmentum (formerly APEX) Parental Accounts
- Call Multiplier
- Walk-Up Parent Conferences
- School Website
- Flyers

Accessibility

Everglades Preparatory Academy ensures that all families, students and other stakeholders have equitable access to information and campus events. Families and students may contact the ESE Contact, Mr. Jeffrey Colavecchio or ELL Contact, Ms. Nicole Mendenhall for additional information and support by calling (561) 924-3002.

Title I Contact

For more information regarding Title I, please contact Mrs. Julie A. Stevenson at 561-924-3002 or Julie.stevenson@evergladesprepacademy.com