# Title I, Part A 2023-2024 Parent and Family Engagement Plan for River Hall Elementary School

I, Jody Poulakis, do hereby certify that all facts, figures, and representations made in this application are true, correct, and consistent with the statement of assurances for these waivers. Furthermore, all applicable statutes, regulations, and procedures; administrative and programmatic requirements; and procedures for fiscal control and maintenance of ecords will be implemented to ensure proper accountability for the expenditure of funds on this project. All records necessary to substantiate these requirements will be available for review by appropriate state and federal staff. I further certify that all expenditures will be obligated on or after the effective date and prior to the termination date of the project. Disbursements will be reported only as appropriate to this project and will not be used for matching funds on this or any special project, where prohibited.

#### **Assurances**

#### Parent Consultations

The school shall conduct outreach to all parents and family members and implement programs, activities, and procedures for the involvement of parents and family members in programs assisted under this part consistent with section 1116. Such programs, activities, and procedures shall be planned and implemented with meaningful consultation with parents of participating children.

#### Certifications

The school will inform/notify parents (in a timely manner) of each student attending a Title I school that they have the ight to request information about their child's classroom teacher and, if applicable, the services provided by their paraprofessionals, as well as the paraprofessionals qualifications.

The school will notify parents when a child is taught for 4 or more consecutive weeks by a teacher who is non-state partified or state-certified but teaching out-of-field by providing a written notification to each parent in a timely manner. This notification should be timely and in letter form on school letterhead. Newsletters are not always timely and bring about providing information about a teacher's qualification for a specific classroom or grade that does not affect all parents. Notification may be disseminated via student backpack, U.S. mail, and meeting with parents.

#### **School Parent and Family Engagement Policy**

The school will jointly develop with, and distribute to, parents and family members of participating children a written parent and family engagement policy, agreed on by such parents, that shall describe the means for carrying out the requirements of section 1116 (c-f) and Assurance 11c-f. Parents shall be notified of the policy in an understandable and uniform format and, to the extent practicable, provided in a language the parents can understand. Such policy shall be made available to the local community and updated periodically to meet the changing needs of parents and the school.

#### **Policy involvement**

The school will convene an annual meeting, at a convenient time, to which all parents of participating children shall be invited and encouraged to attend, to inform parents of their school's participation under this part and to explain the requirements of this part, and the right of the parents to be involved.

The school will offer a flexible number of meetings, such as meetings in the morning or evening, and may provide, with funds provided under this part, transportation, childcare, or home visits, as such services relate to parental involvement.

The school will involve parents, in an organized, ongoing, and timely way, in the planning, review, and improvement of programs under this part, including the planning, review, and improvement of the school parent and family engagement policy and the joint development of the schoolwide program plan under section 1114(b)except that if a school has in place a process for involving parents in the joint planning and design of the school's programs, the school may use that process, if such process includes an adequate representation of parents of participating children.

The school will provide parents of participating children with:

- a timely information about programs under this part;
- a description and explanation of the curriculum in use at the school, the forms of academic assessment used to measure student progress, and the achievement levels of Florida's challenging academic standards; and
- if requested by parents, opportunities for regular meetings to formulate suggestions and to participate, as appropriate, in decisions relating to the education of their children, and respond to any such suggestions as soon as practicably possible.

If the schoolwide program plan under section 1114(b)is not satisfactory to the parents of participating children, the parents may submit any parent comments on the plan when the school makes the plan available to the LEA.

# Shared Responsibilities for High Student Academic Achievement

The school will jointly develop with parents for all children served under this part a **school-parent compact** that outlines how parents, the entire school staff, and students will share the responsibility for improved student academic achievement and the means by which the school and parents will build and develop a partnership to help children achieve the Florida's challenging academic standards. Such compact shall

- (1) describe the school's responsibility to provide high-quality curriculum and instruction in a supportive and effective learning environment that enables the children served under this part to meet the Florida's challenging academic standards, and the ways in which each parent will be responsible for supporting their children's learning, volunteering in their child's classroom; and participating, as appropriate, in decisions relating to the education of their children and positive use of extracurricular time;
- (2) address the importance of communication between teachers and parents on an ongoing basis through, at a minimum
  - parent-teacher conferences in elementary schools, at least annually, during which the compact shall be discussed as it relates to the individual child's achievement;
  - frequent reports to parents on their children's progress;
  - reasonable access to staff, opportunities to volunteer and participate in their child's class, and observation of classroom activities;
  - ensuring regular two-way, meaningful communication between family members and school staff, and, to the extent practicable, in a language that family members can understand.

#### **Accessibility**

The LEA ensures in carrying out the parent and family engagement requirements of this part, LEAs and schools, to the extent practicable, shall provide opportunities for the informed participation of parents and family members (including parents and family members who have limited English proficiency, parents and family members with disabilities, and parents and family members of migratory children), including providing information and school reports required under section 1111 in a format and, to the extent practicable, in a language such parents understand.



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Signature of Principal or Designee

Date Signed

# Parent and Family Engagement Plan

In support of strengthening student academic achievement, **River Hall Elementary 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 policy that contains information required by section 1116(b) and (c) of the Every Student Succeeds Act (ESSA). The policy establishes the school's expectations for parent

and family engagement and describes how the school will implement a number of specific parent and family engagement activities, and it is incorporated into the school's plan submitted to the local educational agency (LEA).

The River Hall Elementary School agrees to implement the following requirements as outlined by Section 1116:

- Involve families, in an organized, ongoing, and timely way, in the planning, review, and improvement of
  programs under Title I, Part A, including the planning, review, and improvement of the school parent and
  family engagement policy and the joint development of the school improvement plan under Section 1114(b) of
  the Every Student Succeeds Act (ESSA).
- Update the school parent and family engagement policy periodically to meet the changing needs of families and the school, distribute it to the families of participating children, and make the parent and family engagement policy available to the local community.
- Provide full opportunities, to the extent practicable, for the participation of families with limited English
  proficiency, families with disabilities, and families of migratory children, including providing information and
  school reports required under Section 1111 of the ESSA in an understandable and uniform format, including
  alternative formats upon request and, to the extent practicable, in a language families understand.
- If the school improvement plan under Section 1114(b) of the ESSA is not satisfactory to the families of participating children, submit any family comments on the plan when the school makes the plan available to the local educational agency.
- Be governed by the following statutory definition of parent and family engagement and will carry out programs, activities, and procedures in accordance with this definition:

Parent and Family Engagement means the participation of families in regular, two-way, and meaningful communication involving student academic learning and other school activities, including ensuring:

- (A) families play an integral role in assisting their child's learning;
- (B) families are encouraged to be actively involved in their child's education at school;
- (C) families 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; and
- (D) other activities are carried out, such as those described in Section 1116 of the ESSA.

#### JOINTLY DEVELOPED/INVOLVEMENT OF PARENTS

River Hall Elementary School will take the following actions to involve families in an organized, ongoing, and timely manner in the planning, review, and improvement of Title I programs, including opportunities for regular meetings, if requested by families, to formulate suggestions and to participate, as appropriate, in decisions relating to the education of their child and respond to any such suggestions as soon as practicably possible. ANNUAL TITLE I MEETING: River Hall Elementary will take the following actions to conduct an annual meeting, at a convenient time, and encourage and invite all families of participating children to attend to inform them about the school's Title I program, the nature of the Title I program, the families' requirements, the school parent and family engagement plan, the schoolwide plan (SIP).

Families will receive the family engagement policy via the school website. School Messenger will be used to notify fam available for their viewing. The school will provide this, and all documentation regarding family programs, meetings, ar English and Spanish. This will be available on the school newsletter, school announcements and invitations, and the sch Translators will be available at all school wide events and available for student conferences. We will make every effort to opportunities for parents with disabilities and special needs. Events will be offered at varied times of day to accommoda availability. Parents will be invited to a School Advisory Council (SAC) Meeting at which we will review the plan, take changes as needed based on parent input. We will discuss PI events as well as decisions around how the PI funds will be

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er Hall Elementary School will conduct an annual meeting designed to inform parents of participating children about the s gram, budget, curriculum used at each grade level, assessment used at each grade level, school grade, supplemental ech the rights of parents. Include timeline, persons responsible, and evidence the school will use to demonstrate the effectivity (comment form provided) [Section 1116]. Invitations will be sent via school messenger and backpack flyers translated guages. The power point from the annual meeting will be posted on the school website once the meeting is conducted.

#### COMMUNICATIONS

River Hall Elementary School will take the following actions to provide families of participating children the following:

- Timely information about the Title I programs
- Flexible number of meetings, such as meetings in the morning or evening, and may provide with Title I funds, transportation, childcare or home visits, as such services relate to parent and family engagement.
- Information related to the school and parent programs, meetings, and other activities, is sent to the families of
  participating children in an understandable and uniform format, including alternative formats upon request and, to
  the extent practicable, in a language the families can understand:

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#### SCHOOL-PARENT COMPACT

River Hall Elementary School will take the following actions to jointly develop with families of participating children a school-parent compact that outlines how families, the entire school staff, and students will share the responsibility for improved student academic achievement and the means by which the school and families will build and develop a partnership to help children achieve the state's high standards.

River Hall Elementary will jointly develop with families a School-Parent Compact during a School Advisory Council (first SAC meeting to review/develop the compact happens in the Spring (for the next school year) and we review it a Home School Compacts are provided at Open House, at the Title I Annual Meeting, and sent home with the "Back t Paperwork" in August. Students enrolling at River Hall after the start of the school year are given the Home School the enrollment paperwork packet.

RESERVATION OF FUNDS
River Hall Elementary School will take the following actions to involve the families of children served in Title I, Part A schools in decisions about how the 1 percent of Title I, Part A funds reserved for parent and family engagement is spent by:
er Hall Elementary will invite parents to participate in an organized, ongoing, and timely manner, in the planning, review, a l programs including involvement in the decisions regarding how funds for parental involvement will be used [Sections11 sory Council meetings each month. This review includes conversation regarding the budget and how funds will be spent.
COORDINATION OF SERVICES
River Hall Elementary School will, to the extent feasible and appropriate, coordinate and integrate parent and family engagement programs and activities with other Federal, State, and local programs, including public preschool

programs,	and conduct other	activities, su	uch as parent i	resource centers,	that encourage	and support	families in
more fully	participating in the	education of	f their children	by:			

r Hall Elementary School will coordinate with other organizations, businesses, and community partners to provide additionances to families. This coordination happens monthly as SAC and PTO meet to plan for family events.

# **Evaluation of the 2022-2023 Parental Involvement Activities**

### 2022-2023 Building Capacity Summary

Provide a summary of activities provided during the previous school year that were designed to build the capacity of parents to help their children [Section 1116)]. Include participation data on the Title I annual meeting.

Activity	Content and Type of Activity	Number of Activities	Number of Participants	Impact on Student
1	Science Night – Ice Cream in a Bag	1	122	Students used science skills to co
2	Hurricane Ian Family Reunification	1	26	Families united with school staff after
3	Student Led Conference	1	350+	Students led a conference with their they have learned, what their goals a they have accomplished so far this year.
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		Total: 3	Total: 498	

# 2022-2023 Staff Training Summary

Provide a summary of the professional development activities provided by the school during the previous school year to educate staff on the value and utility of contributions of parents; how to reach out to, communicate with, and work with parents as equal partners; the implementation and coordination of parent programs; and how to build ties between parents and the school [Section 1116)].

Activity		Content and Type of Activity	Number of Activities	Number of Participants	Impact on Student
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# 2022-2023 Barriers Summary

Describe the barriers that hindered participation by parents during the previous school year in parental involvement activities. Include the steps the school will take during the upcoming school year to overcome the barriers (with particular attention to parents who are economically disadvantaged, are disabled, have limited English proficiency, have limited literacy, or are of any racial or ethnic minority background) [Section 1116].

#	Barrier (Including the specific subgroup)- Be specific	Steps you put in place to overcome barriers - Be :
1	Parents reported needing more flexible times for events and meetings.	Offered meetings am and pm as well as zoom lin
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Evidence-Based Interventions/Strategies
Evidence-based interventions are practices or programs that have <b>evidence</b> to show that they are effective at producing results and improving outcomes when implemented. The kind of evidence described in ESSA has generally been produced through formal studies and research. Under ESSA, there are four tiers, or levels, of evidence:
<b>Tier 1 –Strong Evidence</b> : supported by one or more well-designed and well-implemented randomized controported studies.
<b>Tier 2 –Moderate Evidence</b> : supported by one or more well-designed and well-implemented quasi-experimental studies.

- •Tier 3 —Promising Evidence: supported by one or more well-designed and well-implemented correlational studies (with statistical controls for selection bias).
- •Tier 4 –Demonstrates a Rationale: practices that have a well-defined logic model or theory of action, are supported by research, and have some effort underway by a SEA, LEA, or outside research organization to determine their effectiveness.

Activity	Content and Type of Activity	Person Responsible	Anticipated Impact on Student Achievement	Timeline	Eviden Effectivenes (see previo
1	Family Science Night	Parent Involvement	Improved engagement in science content and expose students to priority science standards.	September 2024	
2	Family Math Night	Parent Involvement	Improved engagement in math content and expose students to priority science standards.	December 2024	
3	Student Led Conference	Parent Involvement	Students will benefit from goal setting and monitoring their own achievement.	January 2024	
4	Family Literacy Night	Parent Involvement	Increased time spent reading for a purpose.	March 2024	
5	Specials Showcase Event	Parent Involvement	Increased engagement and connection between academics and the arts.	April 2024	
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**NEW 2023-2024 Parental Involvement Activities** 

2023-2024 Building Capacity Activities

Describe how the school will implement activities that will build the capacity for strong parental involvement, in order to ensure effective involvement of parents and to support a partnership among the school involved, parents, and the community to improve student academic achievement [Section 1116)]. Describe the actions the school will take to provide materials and training to help parents work with their child to improve their child's academic achievement [Section 1116)]. Include information on how the school will provide other reasonable support for parental involvement activities under Section 1116 as parents may request [Section 1116)].

Parent-teacher conferences in elementary schools, at least annually, during which the compact shall be discussed as it relates to the individual child's achievement. River Hall Elementary School will host its annual Student Led Conference Night in Quarter 3. Parents are invited by their students to come to school, tour the classroom and campus, review their data notebook, discuss goals and progress etc.

## 2023-2024 Staff Training Activities

Describe the professional development activities the school will provide to educate the teachers, pupil services personnel, principals, and other staff in how to reach out to, communicate with, and work with parents as equal partners, in the value and utility of contributions of parents, and in how to implement and coordinate parent programs, and build ties between parents and schools [Section 1118(e)(3)].

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