



Lee Hall Early Childhood
Center
Title I Family Engagement
Policy
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At Lee Hall Early Childhood Center, a Title I school, parents and community members are welcome and encouraged to participate in various activities and engagement options. We believe that active parent/community involvement is essential to ensure student academic success. One of our main focuses is for families to understand the state academic standards and how their students are assessed on these. The following is a list of opportunities/activities for our school:

- Lee Hall Early Childhood Center school staff will work in partnership with parents to engage them in their child's academic and social development. Some examples are workshops, conferences, communication between home and school, and community events...
- Every year Lee Hall will have multiple family activities that will be held at school and in the community. We will partner with community agencies, as appropriate, to provide additional trainings and resources to parents throughout the year. These activities will focus on various learning areas such as; reading, writing, and math. At times, students will attend with their parents. The goal will be to provide parents learning tips and activities to assist their children in being successful in school.
- Information is available on the school website and can be printed as requested to inform parents of school and district initiatives that are occurring in their child's education.
- Our School Lead Team meets regularly. The purpose of the Lead Team is to improve the excellence of teaching and learning in the school, so that the greatest number of students achieve proficiency in the core academic subjects of reading and mathematics utilizing the Virginia Foundation Blocks. The Lead Team also serves as the foundation for actively engaging the school's parents and greater community in designing learning goals and innovative projects which enhance the family engagement program and educational experiences of our students.



- An invitation for family engagement will be offered by the school staff during Parent Orientation, Open House, Back to School Night, the Annual Title I Meeting, as well as throughout the school year. The meetings will be held at flexible times to encourage parent and community involvement. Transportation will be provided when necessary. Additionally, child care may be provided at evening functions.
- We provide translations, interpreters, and Language Line services upon request to assist parents with understanding information related to school programs and parent meetings.

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- Lee Hall Early Childhood Center staff is available to communicate with parents through various methods, including school newsletters, notes home, phone calls to parents, multiple parent conferences, and email. Parents are encouraged to provide input and assist in making decisions regarding their child's education.
- During our Annual Title I Meeting parents are provided with information regarding the services offered by Title I and funding priorities.
- Parents of outgoing students are invited to attend a Kindergarten Transition parenting session. This session is designed to introduce families to the next step of their child's academic development and answer any questions or concerns that they may have.
- Parents will participate in an annual evaluation of the content and effectiveness of the Title I parental engagement program. The evaluation will include an assessment of how engagement is increasing and what barriers to parental participation still need to be overcome.
- Each individual classroom has its own method of utilizing parent support depending on the needs of that particular classroom. Parent/Community volunteers are welcome to participate in the volunteer program at Lee Hall Early Childhood Center.



Lee Hall Early Childhood Center is a Schoolwide Title 1 School

What is Title I?

Title I is a Federal program under the Elementary and Secondary Education Act (ESEA) as reauthorized by the No Child Left Behind Act of 2001 (NCLB). Title I is the funding source from ESEA. It provides money to states and school districts to meet the needs of educationally at-risk students. Title I funds must be used in schools with the highest concentration of students from low income families. Title I reaches about 15 million students in public and private schools throughout the United States.

One of the Family Engagement Requirements for a Title I School is:

Each district that receives Title I, Part A funds must develop a written parental involvement policy that establishes the district's expectations for parental involvement. The district policy must be developed jointly with, and agreed upon with, the parents of children participating in Title I, Part A programs and distributed to parents of all children participating in Title I, Part A programs.

This policy was adopted by Lee Hall Early Childhood Center on October 20, 2016 and will be in effect for the period of the 2015-2016 school year. The school will display this policy in a visible location which will allow all parents of participating Title I, Part A children to view it on or before December 1st, 2015. The school will provide copies to each parent of a child participating in a Title I, Part A program. Additional copies will be located in the school office and Family Engagement and Community Center.

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Please provide verbal and/or written comments to your school's Family Engagement Specialist.