## Smyrna Elementary School/Down East Middle School

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## **Parental Involvement Plan**

Smyrna Elementary School and Down East Middle School Parent Involvement Plan as Part of the School Improvement Plan (Policy 1310/4002)

The principal shall publicize drafts of the parental involvement plan prior to finalization and solicit input from parents of students in the school. This plan must include, at a minimum, efforts to enhance parental involvement by promoting the following priorities:

- A. Regular, meaningful, two-way communication between home and school
  - a. Phones calls (individual or school-wide phone notification)
  - b. Electronic communication (social media platforms, apps (Remind, DOJO, etc.)
  - c. Written communication (email, newsletters, invitations, etc.)
  - d. Parent conferences
  - e. Parent/Community events
- B. Smyrna Elementary School/Down East Middle School promotes responsible parenting by:
  - a. Providing access to online grading portal for grades 3-12
  - a. Providing interim progress reports and report cards for grade K-12
  - b. Providing opportunities for parent teacher conferences
  - c. Encouraging parents to participate in school-based activities
- C. Smyrna Elementary School/Down East Middle School will involve parents in student learning by:
  - a. Clear and consistent communication regarding academic progress
  - b. Various student-centered meetings that address student strengths and opportunities for growth
- D. Smyrna Elementary School/Down East Middle School will encourage volunteering in the school by:
  - a. Providing volunteer training
  - b. Offering various school-based volunteer opportunities
- E. Smyrna Elementary School/Down East Middle School will involve parents in school decisions that affect children and families by inviting and encouraging parents to be on school committees such as:
  - a. PTO (Parent Teacher Organization)
  - b. PAC (Parent Advisory Committee)
  - c. SIT (School Improvement Team)
  - d. Booster Clubs (Athletics, Band, etc.)

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- F. Smyrna Elementary School/Down East Middle School will provide parental training based on parents' informational needs as gathered by:
  - a. Parent Advisory Council Meetings
  - b. Parent Representative on School Improvement Teams
  - c. Student Support Team Meeting Information
- G. Smyrna Elementary School/Down East Middle School will collaborate with community agencies and other organizations to provide resources to strengthen school programs, families, and student learning by:
  - a. CCPS County Resources
- H. Smyrna Elementary School/Down East Middle School will promote student health awareness among parents by addressing the need for health programs and student health services linked to student learning by:
  - a. Providing quality health education instruction to all students
  - b. Providing qualified student support staff to support student well-being