**SCS Northwest Prep Academy**

**Parent and Family Engagement Plan**

*Revised September 2021*

The 2021-22 SCS Northwest Prep Academy Family Engagement Plan was developed jointly with parents to establish expectations for parental involvement and to define the commitment of the school toward providing parents with the skills and information necessary to help their children achieve academic excellence.

**Parental Commitment**

**Northwest Prep Academy parents will act as advisors, resource persons, and coordinators in the following ways:**

Supporting our school’s efforts to maintain a safe and respectful environment

Encouraging their child to solve conflicts peacefully

Supporting our school’s efforts to help their child achieve academically

Assisting their child with homework and special projects

Providing frequent and meaningful attention to help their child reach their full potential in school and in life

Maintaining ongoing communication including attending parent/teacher conferences

Actively participating in the PTA, Shelby County School Based Decision Making Council and other parent/school committees and trainings, and joining booster clubs when appropriate.

Responding to memos, surveys and questionnaires expressing their ideas and/or concerns

Using their talents and resources to enhance SCS Northwest Prep Academy instructional program

Becoming SCS Northwest Prep Academy supporters and advocates within their community

**Title l Commitment**

**The administrators, faculty, and staff will provide a strategic plan and implement Title I requirements according to the guidelines set forth in the law, which include the following:**

Informing parents of the Title I requirements and our school’s participation at the Annual Title I Open House meetings on Thursday, September 9 at 4pm-7pm and Friday, September 10 at 10:00 am.

Providing timely information to families about program and policies administered under Title I guidelines

Encouraging parents to observe and volunteer in the school’s programs and classrooms

Providing parents with ongoing, current student information and progress reports the middle of each nine weeks

Soliciting ongoing feedback and suggestions from parents on decisions relating to the education of their children

Providing parents with copies and explanations of the Family Engagement Plan, Student Code of conduct, PBIS Plan and ESEA

Parents’ Right –To-Know Plan.

Providing parents with assessment results

Assisting parents in understanding SCS Northwest Prep Academy curriculum, forms of academic assessments used to measure student progress and the proficiency levels students are expected to meet

**School Commitment**

**Shelby County School Northwest Prep Academy will encourage families to become meaningfully engaged in their child’s education by doing the following:**

Inviting all parents to annual meetings (at flexible times) to inform them of Title I requirements, the school’s

 participation in Title I, and the rights of parents to be involved in their child’s education

Conducting regular and flexible parent meetings, to keep parents informed of current events and issues, timely progress

 reports and parent/teacher conferences

Involving parents in joint development of future revisions of the School Improvement Plan,

 Family Engagement Policy, Parent/School Compact and other documents and programs relating to their child’s

 academic instruction

Providing flexible times for our parents to attend parent meetings, with opportunities to attend regular meetings at night and alternate meetings in the morning

Encouraging parents to meet the challenges of raising happy, successful children by offering diverse parent trainings and

 workshops, based on parental needs

Providing a Family Resource Center with a lending library of books, videos and materials to be checked out and used at home

 to support in school learning

Distributing Parent/Student Handbooks, Parent and Family Engagement Plans and Parent/School Compacts and acquiring appropriate

 signatures

Listening to those we serve, our parents and our students, to help gain insight into the hearts, minds and cultures of our

 families and use this information to develop and administer programs and policies that positively affect our student’s school

 experience

Provide timely information about programs under family engagement though School Messenger, SCS website, school marquee, flyers, and PTA.