Clay Harmony Leland

Family-School Engagement Policy for Shared Student Success

2025–2026 School Year

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Clay-Harmony Leland Academic Goals

<u>Clay- Harmony Leland Goal(s) for Student Achievement</u> Goal #1 ELA:

<u>K-2</u> The percentage of students in grades K-2 scoring on or above grade level in reading will increase from 63% (302) students) to 72% (345 students) as measured by Amira.

<u>3-5</u> The percentage of students in grades 3-5 scoring proficient or above grade level in English Language Arts will increase from 35 % (168 students) to 38% (188) as measured by the 2025-2026 Milestones.

Goal #2 Math:

<u>Grades K-2:</u> The percentage of students in grades K-2 scoring near target or prepared in math will increase from 81% (382 students) to 85% (401 students) as measured by Beacon

<u>Grades 3-5</u>: The percentage of students in grades 3-5 scoring on or above grade level in math will increase from 43% (208 students) to 50% (242 students), as measured by the 2025 – 2026 Milestones.

School Plan for Shared Student Achievement

What is it?

This is a plan that describes how Clay harmony Leland will provide opportunities to improve family engagement to support student learning. Clay Harmony Leland values the contributions and involvement of families to establish an equal partnership for the common goal of improving student achievement. This plan describes the different ways that Clay Harmony Leland will support family engagement and how parents can help plan and participate in activities and events to promote student learning at school and at home.



Jointly Developed

Clay Harmony Leland invites all parents to complete the Fall school improvement input survey/evaluation to provide suggestions on the school's Title I program. All parents are also invited to attend the Spring school improvement input meeting to revise this parental involvement policy, our school-parent compact, building staff capacity professional learning topics, and the parental involvement budget. Additionally, parent input and comments regarding this plan are welcome during the school year. The plan is posted on our school Web site for parents to view and submit feedback throughout the year. All parent feedback received during the year will be used to revise the plan for the next school year. We also distribute an annual survey that is posted online to ask parents for their suggestions on the plan and the use of the 1% reservation of funds for parental involvement. Parents can also give feedback during any parent meetings and activities during the school year.

Who is it for?

All students participating in the Title I, Part A program, and their parents and families, are encouraged and invited to fully participate in the opportunities described in this policy. Clay Harmony Leland will provide full opportunity for the participation of Neglected and Delinquent proxy parents, parents and families with limited English, parents with disabilities, and parents of migratory children.

Where is it available?

Every family will receive the plan during Parent-Teacher Conference week. It is also available on the school website and a copy is in the front office binder. Parents can also retrieve a copy of the plan in the Parent Resource Center. We will gladly mail the plan to you upon request.

What is Title I?

Clay Harmony Leland is identified as a school having a Schoolwide Title I program as part of the Every Student Succeeds Act (ESSA). Title I is designed to support State and local school reform efforts tied to challenging state academic standards which reinforce and enhance efforts to improve teaching and learning for students. Title I programs must be based on effective means of improving student achievement and include strategies to support parental involvement. All Title I schools must jointly develop with all parents a written parental involvement policy.

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- By SY26, increase growth by 2 percentage points, for students scoring at the proficient and distinguished levels, as evidenced by state assessments.
- By SY28, increase graduation rate from 87% to 88% as measured by GaDOE adjusted cohort graduation rare.

Family-School Compacts

As part of this plan, Clay Harmony Leland and our families will develop a family-school compact, which is an agreement that parents, teachers, and students will develop that explains how parents and teachers will work together to make sure all our students reach grade-level standards. The compacts will be reviewed and updated annually based on feedback from parents, students, and teachers during the School Improvement forum. The family-school compacts are distributed during Parent-Teacher Conference week October 15 -18, 2025. Copies are also available throughout the year with each child's teacher.

Let's Get Together!

Clay Harmony Leland will host the following events to build the capacity for strong parental involvement to support a partnership among the school, parents, and community to improve student academic achievement. Family and Community Engagement (FACE) activities will be held at various times to provide opportunities for all families to participate. If you are unable to attend and would like meeting information, please contact Clay Harmony Leland.



Kindergarten Camp-July 14th- July 18th, 2025 (Face to Face)

Rising Kindergarten families are introduced to expectations and learning opportunities offered in elementary school.

Cheers and Tears- August 4th

Opportunity for parents to share in their celebration for their kindergarten student

Annual Title 1 Meeting- August 26th -August 28th

The Annual Title I Meeting informs families about the school's Title I program, including its goals, funding, and how it supports student achievement.

1st Building Staff Capacity- September 3rd

Staff training on building parent/teacher relationships and communication.

Parent Teacher Conference Week -October 14th – October 17th Fall Input- October 15th

Parent-teacher conferences provide a valuable opportunity for families and teachers to discuss student progress, strengths, and areas for growth.

Kindergarten Tours- November 5th, January 8th, March 19th

The purpose of a kindergarten school tour is to help families and future students become familiar with the school environment, staff, and daily routines to ensure a smooth transition into kindergarten.

Publix Math Night - November 13th

Publix Grocery Math Night is an engaging event where students and families explore real-world math skills through interactive shopping activities.

2nd Building Staff Capacity February 4th

Staff training on building parent/teacher relationships and communication.

EOG Academic Night – March 31st

End of Grade Assessment (EOG) discussion for 3rd-5th grade students and their parents.

Spring Input – April 17th

The Title I Spring Input Meeting is an opportunity for families to share feedback and help shape the school's Title I programs, plans, and funding priorities for the upcoming year.

Parent Resource Center (Rm. 101M) Hours: Mon.-Fri.; 8:00am - 2:30pm

Visit the Parent Resource Center (PRC) to check out books, study materials, and activities to use at home with your child. Computers are available for parents to explore CTLS Learn, CTLS Parent and educational resources.

Parental Involvement

Clay Harmony Leland believes that parental involvement means the participation of parents in regular two-way, and meaningful communication involving student academic learning and other school activities, including ensuring:

- That parents play an integral role in assisting their child's learning.
- That parents are encouraged to be actively involved in their child's education at school.
- That parents 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.

Parental Involvement Matters

Clay Harmony Leland is committed to helping our parents and families attend the family activities listed in this policy. Please call or email us if you need assistance with childcare or transportation to participate in our programs.

Parent Facilitator: Melody Cruell (770 819-0736 Ext.1012 melody. cruell@cobbk12.org

One Team, One Goal, Student Success



Clay Harmony Leland will take the following measures to promote and support parents as an important foundation of the school in order to strengthen student academic performance and reach our school goals. We will:

- ✓ Ensure that all information related to school and parent programs, meetings, and other activities is published in both English and Spanish, posted on the school website, and included in CTLS Parent for all parents
- ✓ Provide two trainings each semester for staff during their planning periods on strategies to improve communication with parents and ideas to increase family engagement.
- ✓ Partner with our feeder schools by conducting joint meetings and events for parents and sending school information about parent engagement activities to help prepare parents and their child for school transitions.
- ✓ Share information in English and Spanish on the school blog and in the school newsletter for parents to understand the school's academic standards and assessments as well as the ways parents can monitor their child's progress and work with educators.
- ✓ Communicate with all families and the community on a regular basis regarding schoolwide events and activities, through CTLS Parent, school website, social media, campus signpost and flyers, etc.
- ✓ Work with our parents to develop relevant trainings and helpful presentations to educate our staff on the importance of parental involvement.
- ✓ Provide necessary materials and handouts for parents at conferences, meetings, and activities to help parents work with their child to improve their child's achievement.
- ✓ Use our Parent Facilitators and Education Partners to improve awareness of the activities and events listed in the school parental involvement policy
- ✓ Collect feedback from parents at all events and offer a variety of surveys throughout the school year to respond to parents' input regarding parental involvement activities and requested meetings.

Parental Involvement Standards

Clay Harmony Leland and our parents have adopted the National PTA Standards for Family-School Partnerships as the school's model in engaging parents, students, and the community. These standards are:

- 1. Welcoming All Families
- 2. Communicating Effectively
- 3. Supporting Student Success
- 4. Speaking Up for Every Child
- 5. Sharing Power
- 6. Collaborating with Community

Principal Advisory Council

The purpose of the Principal Advisory Council is to bring together parents, community members, and school staff to create a better understanding of and mutual respect for each other's concerns and share ideas for school improvement.

The Principal Advisory Council meets three times per school year. Along with the principal, council members include:

- 1. Two staff members (one being the current Teacher of the Year).
- 2. Two parents (one being the current PTSA president).
- 3. Two members of the community (one being a Partner in Education representative).
- 4. High Schools *only* should include the president of the student government association or the senior class president.

If you would like to share your ideas and perspective with the Principal Advisory Council please contact Mrs. Gina Mcclenning, school principal,

Gina.Mcclenning@cobbk12.org

Parent Involvement Opportunities

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Suggestions, Compliments	, Concerns: