## Okeechobee High School Title I, Part A Parent and Family Engagement Plan 2019-2020

I, <u>Lauren Myers</u>, 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 records 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 projects, where prohibited.

#### **Assurances:**

|   | Signature of Principal or Designee Date Signed  |        |
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|   | professional qualifications of the student's classroom teachers and paraprofessionals.  | -      |
|   | standards; and <ul><li>Provide each parent timely notice information regarding their right to request information on</li></ul>  | the    |
| _ | or more consecutive weeks by a teacher who has not met applicable state certification and lie   |        |
|   | their child on the state assessment in at least mathematics, language arts, and reading;  Provide each parent timely notice when their child has been assigned or has been taught for               |        |
|   | the local educational agency; Provide to each parent and family member an individual student report about the performan   | ce of  |
| _ | If the plan for Title I, Part A, is not satisfactory to the parents and family of participating childr<br>school will submit parent and family comments with the plan when the school submits the p |        |
| _ | policy;   |        |
|   | Use the findings of the parent and family engagement plan review to design strategies for me effective family engagement, and to revise, if necessary, the school's parent and family engagement.   |        |
|   | school parent and family engagement policy and the joint development of the schoolwide proplan;   |        |
|   | improvement of programs under this part, including the planning, review, and improvement  | of the |
|   | the parent and family engagement plan to the local community;  Involve parents and family, in an organized, ongoing, and timely way, in the planning, review,                                       | and    |
| Ч | Jointly develop/revise with parents and family members a written parent and family engagen<br>policy and distribute it to parents and family members of participating children and make ava         |        |
|   | Involve parents and family members of children served in Title I, Part A schools in decisions a how Title I, Part A funds reserved for family engagement are spent;                                 |        |
|   | programs, activities, and procedures in accordance with the definition outlined in section 1116 Every Student Succeeds Act (ESSA);  | of the |
|   | ☐ The school will be governed by the statutory definition of family engagement, and will carry o  | out    |

#### **FAMILY ENGAGEMENT**

Briefly describe how the school will involve parents in an organized, ongoing, and timely manner, in the planning, review, and improvement of Title I programs including involvement in the decisions regarding how funds for family engagement will be used. (ESSA Section 1116)

The OHS Title 1 Parent and Family Engagement Committee will meet on June 6, 2019 to review, plan, and approve events for Okeechobee High School for 2019-2020. Parents will review the data for Family Engagement events for 2018-2019. Parents will have the chance to provide input on and approve the Parent and Family Engagement Plan. Parents will also be able to review and have input on the Parent-School compact and the use of Family Engagement funds during this meeting. The committee met again on August 6, 2019 to review the plan with final dates added and review the Parent School Compact. During the meeting the plan was given approval by the committee.

Briefly describe how the school will jointly develop/revise with parents the school Parent and Family Engagement Plan, distribute the plan to parents and families of participating children, and make the Parent and Family Engagement Plan available to the local community.

OHS will meet with parents and faculty for the initial planning of Parent and Family Engagement events in June with a follow up meeting in August to finalize the plan. Once approved, the plan will be distributed to parents and families in English and Spanish via a flyer sent home with students. In addition the plan will be posted in dual languages on the Title 1 information section of the school website along with a Facebook notification and link to the plan on the OHS Facebook page. The plan will also be available in the Title 1 section of the OHS App. The local community can receive a copy of the plan by visiting the OHS main office or via the OHS Website.

Briefly describe how the school will involve parents and families, in an organized, ongoing, and timely way, in the planning, review and improvement of programs under Title I Part A, including the planning, reviewing, and improvement of the school Parent and Family Engagement Plan and the joint development of the schoolwide program plan.

The Parent and Family Engagement Plan will be shared with parents via Parent Newsletter and our first SAC Meeting of the year. The plan will be reviewed during SAC meetings to offer parents a chance to evaluate events and provide feedback as the year progresses. Surveys to participants will be used to evaluate events as possible.

Briefly describe how the school will use the findings of the Parent and Family Engagement Plan review to design strategies for more effective parent and family engagement, and to revise, if necessary, the school's Parent and Family Engagement Plan?

The results of the survey indicated parents are satisfied with the programs offered. In a review of what was offered we eliminated events that were joint events with OFC and added two new events in the spring that will allow us to showcase our Advanced Placement programs along with Arts and

Career/Technical Education programs. In addition SAC meetings will be bi-monthly rather than every month.

Briefly describe how the school will provide to each parent an individual student report about the performance of their child on the state assessment in at least mathematics, language arts, and reading?

Score reports for assessments given in the spring of 2019 will be sent home with students with Quarter 1 report cards on Oct 22, 2019.

Briefly describe how the school will provide each parent timely notice when their child has been assigned or has been taught for (4) or more consecutive weeks by a teacher who is not certified or licensed?

Parents will be informed via a letter sent home within the first 4 weeks of school when their child has been assigned or has been taught for (4) or more consecutive weeks by a teacher who is not certified or licensed. In addition, this information will be included in the Parent Newsletters and within the Title 1 Information section of the OHS Webpage and OHS Info App.

Briefly describe how the school will provide each parent timely notice information regarding their right to request information on the professional qualifications of the student's classroom teachers and paraprofessionals?

Parents will be informed via Parent Newsletter, within the Title 1 information section of the OHS webpage, and a notification sent out via the OHS App.

### **COORDINATION AND INTEGRATION**

Describe how the school will coordinate and integrate family engagement programs and activities that teach parents how to help their children at home, to the extent feasible and appropriate, including but not limited to, other federal programs such as: Head Start, Early Reading First, Even Start, Home Instruction Programs for Preschool Youngsters, the Parents as Teachers Program, public preschool, Title I, Part C, Title II, Title IV, and Title VI. (ESSA Section 1116)

| Program  | Coordination  |
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| Migrant Advocate                                   | Provides support and supplemental instruction to migrant students through after school tutorial. In addition our Migrant Advocate visits homes to facilitate communication and assist parents.  |
| ELL Advocate                                       | Our Hispanic Advocate provides a way for hispanic students and their parents to seek out resources and communicate with faculty.  |
| ELL Assistance via an in-class<br>paraprofessional | ESOL students are provided assistance by a paraprofessional who is embedded in classrooms throughout the day based on highest need and can also translate communication with parents if needed. |

| On Site ESE Specialist | Our on-site ESE specialist facilitates IEP and other ESE meetings, scheduling meetings so that parents are able to attend whenever possible. Parents are provided information on growth-based waivers for testing and opportunities for supplemental instruction via after school tutorial. |
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## **ANNUAL PARENT MEETING**

Describe the specific steps the school will take to conduct an annual meeting designed to inform parents of participating children about the school's Title I program, Adequate Yearly Progress, and school choice.

| Activity/Tasks   | Person Responsible                               | Timeline  | Evidence of<br>Effectiveness |
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| The office of Grants and Special Programs will provide a flyer to advertise the Annual Title 1 meeting. The flyer will be posted via the schools social media Facebook and Twitter accounts and shared via the weekly parent newsletter. | Trisha Jennings, Vicki<br>Goggans, Dylan Tedders | Posted no later than 1 week prior to the meeting date | -Sign in sheets for meeting  |
| Push Notifications for meeting sent out via OHS App  |  | One week and one day prior to meeting                 | -Sign in sheets for meetings |
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## **FLEXIBLE PARENT MEETINGS**

Describe how the school will offer a flexible number of meetings, such as meetings in the morning or evening, and may provide with Title I funds, transportation, child care, or home visits, as such services related to family engagement. (ESSA Section 1116)

| Parent and Family Events will be offered no more than once a month. Parent and Family Engagement events will be offered in the evening to accommodate working parents. Child care will be provided for larger events. Translators will be on hand for events as well. |  |
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## **BUILDING CAPACITY**

- Describe how the school will implement activities that will build the capacity for meaningful parent and family engagement.
- Describe how the school will implement activities that will build relationships with the community to improve student academic achievement.
- Describe the actions the school will take to provide materials and training to help parents work with their child(ren).
- ☐ Include information on how the school will provide other reasonable support for parent and family engagement activities as parents and families may request. [ESSA Section 1116]

| Content and Type of Activity | Person<br>Responsible                          | Anticipated<br>Impact on<br>Student<br>Achievement   | Timeline  | Evidence of<br>Effectivenes<br>s     | SIP Goal<br>Alignment                           |
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| Sophomore Open<br>House      | OHS Admin ,<br>Counselors,<br>Soph<br>Teachers | Sophomore parents will be provided an informative folder with information needed and have the opportunity to meet with classroom teachers. | August 6, 2019<br>6-9 PM<br>OHS Campus  | Sign In<br>Sheets via<br>ELA Classes | Focus Area #2                                   |
| Parent Class<br>Meetings     | Class Counselors & Class                       | Information pertinent to each class (grade) will be shared with parents so that they can support student success in meeting                | Soph: Sept 16 6-7<br>PM OHS LHall<br>Junior: Sept 11 6-7<br>PM OHS LHall<br>Senior: Sept 10 6-7<br>PM OHS LHall | Sign In<br>Sheets                    | Focus Area #1<br>Focus Area #2<br>Focus Area #3 |

|                                       |                                 | graduation requirements, In addition class sponsors will inform parents of dates/activities related to Homecoming.                             |  |                   |               |
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| Financial Aid Night                   | Senior<br>Counselor,            | Seniors and parents of seniors will receive information on applying for financial aid and scholarships to cover post-secondary education costs | October 22, 2019<br>6-8 PM<br>OHS Cafeteria  | Sign In<br>Sheets | Focus Area #2 |
| FAFSA Workshop<br>Nights              | IRSC Advisers,<br>OHS Admin     |  | October 29, 2019<br>November 19, 2019<br>January 30, 2020<br>March 26, 2020<br>All FAFSA<br>Workshops in Media<br>Center | Sign In<br>Sheets | Focus Area #2 |
| OHS Spring<br>Extravaganzza           | Arts Dept,<br>Club<br>Sponsors, | Parents will see<br>work displayed<br>and<br>performances<br>by the Fine Arts<br>and CTE<br>departments, as<br>well as OHS<br>Clubs.           | February 27, 6 - 8<br>PM<br>OHS Campus   | Sign In<br>Sheets | Focus Area #3 |
| OHS Advanced<br>Placement<br>Showcase | AP Teachers,<br>OHS Admin       | Parents will<br>learn about AP<br>classes and see<br>presentations<br>of work<br>completed<br>within AP<br>classes.                            | March 24 6-8 PM<br>OHS Campus  | Sign In<br>Sheets | Focus Area #3 |

#### STAFF DEVELOPMENT

Describe the professional development activities the school will provide to educate the teachers, specialized instructional support personnel, principals, and other staff in how to reach out to, communicate with, and work with parents and families as equal partners, in the value and utility of contributions of parents and families, how to reach out to, communicate with, and work with parents/families as equal partners and how to implement and coordinate parent/family programs, and in building ties between parents/families and the school. (ESSA Section 1116)

| Content and Type of Activity       | Person<br>Responsible | Anticipated<br>Impact on Student<br>Achievement | Timeline  | Evidence of<br>Effectiveness   |
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| Power of Positive<br>Postcards PLC | Vicki Goggans         |   | 2019. Will also include in future PLCs over the year. | Monitor the number of postcards sent over the year and any parent feedback received. |

#### **OTHER ACTIVITIES**

Describe the other activities, such as parent resource centers, the school will conduct to encourage and support parents in more fully participating in the education of their children. (ESSA Section 1116)

Quarterly SAC meetings at OHS will give input for school wide decisions that impact the educational process, events and activities, and how funds are spent. Parents will review and approve the School Improvement Plan. All OFC SAC meetings start at 6:00pm and the quarterly dates are as follows:

Sept 9, 2019

Nov. 11, 2019

Feb 24, 2020

April 13, 2020

#### COMMUNICATION

Describe how the school will provide parents of participating children the following:

- Timely information about the Title I programs;
- Description and explanation of the curriculum at the school, the forms of academic assessment used to measure student progress, and the proficiency levels students are expected to meet;
- 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
- If the schoolwide program plan under is not satisfactory to the parents of participating children, the school will include submit the parents' comments with the plan that will be made available to the local education agency. (ESSA Section 1116)

OHS Annual Title 1 meeting will be held on August 26, 2019 from 6-7 pm . Parents will be provided information about Title 1 programs during this meeting, including a description and explanation of the curriculum at the school, the forms of academic assessment used to measure student progress, and the proficiency levels students are expected to meet along with the most recent data from those assessments.

#### **ACCESSIBILITY**

Describe how the school will provide full opportunities for participation in family engagement activities for all parents (including parents with limited English proficiency, disabilities, and migratory children). Include how the school plans to share information related to school and parent programs, meetings, school reports, and other activities in an understandable and uniform format and to the extent practical, in a language parents can understand.

Title 1 programs will be presented in both English and Spanish whenever possible. Events will be held in the evening to accommodate for working parents to be able to attend. Childcare will be provided for larger events (Town Hall events). Our OHS App will provide information in dual languages to the extent practical.

#### EVIDENCE OF PARENT AND FAMILY INPUT IN THE DEVELOPMENT OF THE PLAN

Upload Parent-School Compact to your school FE Folder.

<u>Upload Evidence of Parent Involvement in Development of Parent-School Compact to your school FE Folder.</u>

★ Note: As a component of the school-level family engagement policy/plan, each school shall jointly develop with parents for all children served under this part, a parent-school compact that outlines how parents, the entire school staff, and students will share the responsibility for improved student academic achievement.

# Evaluation of the previous year's Parent and Family Engagement Plan

## **Building Capacity Summary**

Provide a summary of activities provided during the <u>previous</u> school year that were designed to build the capacity of parents to help their children. Include participation data on the Title I annual meeting.

| Content and<br>Type of<br>Activity               | Number of<br>Activities | Number of<br>Participants | Impact on Student Achievement  | Data Source Used |
|--|-------------------------|---------------------------|--|------------------|
| Class Meetings<br>for each class                 | 4                       | 58                        | Information pertinent to each class (grade) was shared with parents so that they could support student success in meeting graduation requirements, In addition class sponsors will inform parents of dates/activities related to Homecoming. | Sign In sheets   |
| Town Hall:<br>School Safety<br>at OHS and<br>OFC | 1                       | 13                        | Parents were updated on the school safety improvements added to make OHS and OFC safe learning environments.   | Sign In Sheets   |
| Financial Aid<br>Night                           | 1                       | 90                        | Seniors and parents of seniors received information on applying for financial aid and scholarships to cover post-secondary education costs.  | Sign In sheets   |
| FAFSA<br>Workshops                               | 4                       | 49                        | Parents and students received help in completing the FAFSA form to apply for financial aid for postsecondary education and completing the IRSC application if attending IRSC.  | Sign In Sheets   |
| Freshman<br>Transition<br>Parent Meeting         | 1                       | 167                       | Freshmen parents had the opportunity to meet their students' sophomore counselor, learn about course offerings and CTE programs, and how they can help their students finish strong their Freshman year.                                     | Sign In Sheets   |
| AP Insight<br>Event                              | 1                       | 13                        | Students and parents were invited to learn about Advanced Placement offerings at OHS and if they show a potential to be successful in classes on the PSAT from 2018.   | Sign In Sheets   |

## **Staff Training Summary**

Provide a summary of the professional development activities provided by the school during the <u>previous</u> 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.

| Content and Type of Activity                               | Number of<br>Activities | Number of<br>Participants | Impact on Student<br>Achievement  | Data Source Used |
|--|-------------------------|---------------------------|---|------------------|
| CARD PD<br>(Center for Autism and<br>Related Disabilities) | 1                       | 72                        | Teachers were<br>more readily able<br>to understand ASD<br>students and<br>communicate with<br>parents. | Sign In Sheets   |
| OHS Remind App Training                                    | 1                       | 12                        | Teachers learned how to communicate with parents via the Remind app.                                    | Sign in Sheets   |

#### **Barriers**

Describe the barriers that hindered participation by parents during the <u>previous</u> school year in family engagement 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).

| Barrier (Including the Specific Subgroup) | Steps the School will Take to Overcome  |
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|   | Mrs. Algarin will use Skylert to contact parents and let them know translators will be present. |
| Multiple ways to send home information    | Use of PUSH notifications via the OHS App   |