**Robinson Elementary is**

**Branching Out!**

Robinson Elementary will take the following measures to promote and support parents as an important foundation of the school in order to strengthen the school and reach our school goals. We will:

* Ensure that all information related to school and parent programs, meetings, and other activities are available to all, including parents with limited English, parents with disabilities, and parents of migratory children, to the greatest possible extent, and posted on the school website.
* Conduct staff development activities each quarter on parent involvement practices and effective strategies for staff to communicate and build partnerships with parents.
* Partner with Head Start and Early Reading programs to share school information about parent engagement activities that will help prepare parents and their child for kindergarten and improve school transition.
* Share information in the parents native language to the greatest possible extent on the school website 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, such as phone messages, social media, and flyers.
* Work with our parents to develop relevant trainings and helpful presentations to educate our staff on the importance of parental involvement.
* Provide necessary materials for parents at conferences, meetings, and activities to help parents work with their child to improve their child’s achievement.
* Collaborate with community leaders and business groups to increase participation and awareness of the school parental involvement plan and activities.
* Listen and respond to parents’ requests for additional support for parental involvement activities.

**Parental Involvement**

Robinson Elementary believes that parent involvement means the participation of parents in regular and meaningful communication involving student academic learning and other school activities. Ensuring that –

* Parents play an integral role in assisting their child’s learning;
* Parents are encouraged to be actively involved in their child’s education at school;
* 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;
* Activities described in this plan are carried out and evaluated for success or revision.

Annual parent surveys are used to determine how funds reserved are allotted for parental involvement activities.

Robinson Elementary is committed to helping our parents attend the parental activities listed in this plan. Please call or email

Kim Bennett at kbennett@dawson.k12.ga.us

if you need assistance with childcare or transportation in order to participate in our programs.

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**Let’s Get Together!**

Robinson Elementary will host the following events to build the capacity for strong parental involvement to support a partnership among the school, parents, and the community to improve student academic achievement.

Curriculum Night – August 13, 2015 6:00

* Learn about the different aspects and programs of RES.

Annual Title I Meeting – September 16, 2015

* We invite you to an evening of learning and sharing about our Title I program including our parent involvement policy, the school-wide plan, the school-parent compacts and the parents’ requirements. Invitations will be sent home and posted in the school newsletter and local media.

Fall Carnival - October

* While at the Fall Carnival, parents and students will be able to participate in games that will provide valuable ways to help enhance their educational experience.

Parent-Teacher and Student Conferences-Oct. 7-8, 2015 & Mar. 9-10, 2016

* Scheduled updates on your child’s progress. You will receive information on curriculum updates relevant to your child’s grade level. Parents will also receive tips to make homework time easier and more effective.
* At the March conference, you will receive updates on your child’s achievement. You will also receive tips to help your child do better on tests.

Cookies with Santa – December 2014

* As students sit on Santa’s knee and share their ‘secret’ wishes, students will be given a book to take home and parents will be given ‘secrets’ for making their children want to read.

Fourth Grade Musical – May 2016

* Please join us as our Auxiliary department and 4th grade students perform a culminating musical drama “Singing Through the Decades” which will highlight various genres of our musical heritage.

Science Night – February 2016

* Learn how to make science fun at home! Our local high school science department shares various experiments to increase students’ love for science and math.

Kindergarten Muffins with Mom – January 2015

* Gain knowledge in Math topics that are relevant to your child’s education.

Parent Appreciation – May 1, 2015

* A celebration of parent engagement and the recognition of parental involvement impact on school & student success.

STEAM (Science Technology Engineering Arts and Math) – To be determined

* Parents and Students will participate in the integration of technology in these areas.

**Robinson Elementary Goals**

1. RES will increase the percent of students with disabilities (SWD) students that meet and/or exceed state standards in math.
2. RES will increase the percent of SWD students that meet and/or exceed state standards in English Language Arts (ELA).
3. RES will increase the percent of 3rd grade students meeting the Lexile band target (650) by 1% over the next three years.
4. RES will decrease the percent of students missing five or more days as measured by average daily attendance.

**Family-School Compacts**

As part of this plan, Robinson Elementary and our families will develop a school-parent compact. This is an agreement that parents, teachers, and students will develop that explains how parents and teachers will work together to make sure all RES students reach grade-level standards. The compacts will be reviewed and updated annually based on feedback gathered from parents, students and teachers through surveys, and various parent meetings including School Governance, Annual Title I Parent Meeting and PTO. The School-Parent Compacts will be provided to each parent during parent conference or weekly folder. Additional copies may be found on the RES website and the front office.

**Helpful Parent Resources**

The students of RES are exposed to a rigorous curriculum that follows the Georgia Standards of Excellence. More information regarding these standards can be found at <https://www.georgiastandards.org/Pages/parents.aspx>

[**Georgia Standards of Excellence**](http://links.schoolloop.com/link/rd?href=736c5f6c696e6b6666303163633065623266687474703a2f2f7777772e646f652e6b31322e67612e75732f45787465726e616c2d416666616972732d616e642d506f6c6963792f41736b444f452f50616765732f506172656e74732d437572726963756c756d2d616e642d496e737472756374696f6e2e61737078) (Reading/ELA/Math) - <https://www.georgiastandards.org/Georgia-Standards/Pages/default.aspx>

**Georgia Milestones -** Grades 3-5 (April 19– April 29, 2016)  - All 3rd – 5th
 <http://www.gadoe.org/Curriculum-Instruction-and-Assessment/Assessment/Pages/Georgia-Milestones-Assessment-System.aspx>

**RES School Website** - Visit our website for a variety of online resources for each grade level. <http://robinson-dcsd-ga.schoolloop.com>

[**POWERSCHOOL**](http://links.schoolloop.com/link/rd?href=736c5f6c696e6b666630316363306562326668747470733a2f2f70732e646177736f6e2e6b31322e67612e75732f7075626c69632f) - Use this site to monitor your child’s academic progress and attendance. Be sure to also check the daily bulletin for school news. <https://ps.dawson.k12.ga.us/public/>

**Georgia Online Formative Assessment Resource (GOFAR)-**

GOFAR contains test items related to content areas assessed by the Georgia Milestones Assessment System.

<https://www.gadoe.org/Curriculum-Instruction-and-Assessment/Assessment/Pages/Georgia-Online-Formative-Assessment-Resource.aspx>

**Share Your Thoughts**

We want to hear from you. If you have any suggestions or if there is any part of this plan that you feel is not satisfactory with the students’ and the school’s goals for academic achievement, please provide us with your comments in the space provided and leave this form in the school’s Main Office or feel free to send email to kbennett@dawson.k12.ga.us

Name: (optional): \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

Telephone Number: (optional): \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

Comments:

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***Robinson Elementary School Parent Involvement Plan for Shared Student Success***



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**School Plan for**

**Shared Student Achievement**

**What is it?** This is a plan that describes how Robinson Elementary will provide opportunities to improve parent engagement to support student learning. Robinson Elementary values the contributions and involvement of parents in order to establish an equal partnership for the common goal of improving student achievement. This plan describes the different ways that Robinson Elementary will support parent engagement and how parents can help plan and participate in activities and events to promote student learning at school and at home.

**How is it developed?** Robinson Elementary School welcomes parent input and comments at any time regarding the plan. All parent feedback will be used to revise the plan for next year. The plan is posted on our school website for parents to view with feedback forms available in the front office for parents to offer input, questions and concerns. We also provide an annual survey online for parent suggestions on the plan. The plan is distributed along with feedback forms at the Annual Title I parent meeting, School Governance Meetings, and PTO meetings. Notifications to parents are sent via email, School Messenger, and newsletters when the revised copy is available for review. If you have any concerns, please do not hesitate to contact us by phone or email.

**Who is it for?** Robinson Elementary School provides Schoolwide Title I services. Schoolwide programs offer more support options for struggling students. The Title I resources are available to all students. It assists the school with in staff scheduling. The professional development activities can be extended to all staff of RES.

**Where is it available?** At the beginning of the year, the plan will be shared at the Annual Title I Parent meeting. An electronic copy can be found on our school website. Parents can also retrieve a copy of the plan in the Parent Resource Room. Notifications to parents are sent via email, School Messenger, and newsletters when the revised copy is available for review.

**What is Title I?**

Robinson Elementary is identified as a Title I school as part of the Elementary and Secondary Education Act of 1965 (ESEA). Title I is designed to support State and local school reform efforts tied to challenging State academic standards in order to 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, as well as suggestions for the allocation of funds for parent involvement activities.

**Parent Resource Room**

The RES Parent Resource Room provides an inviting atmosphere for parents, grandparents, stepparents, and other caregivers of RES children who need information and resources.

The Parent Resource Room has a collection of books on school related issues and parenting topics, and also offers several DVDs and books designed for parents of school aged children. The resources are free to check out, and you may sit and enjoy the materials in the Parent Resource Room, or take them home with you.

The Parent Resource Room is open during regular school hours and is located across from Pod A.  If you need any assistance in the Parent Resource Room please let the front office staff know.

**Parent Involvement**

Robinson Elementary and our parents are members of the Parent Teacher Organization (PTO) to increase Family-School Partnerships. The corporation is organized for the purpose of supporting the education of children at Robinson Elementary by fostering relationships among the school, parents, teachers and community.