**Belle Glade Elementary**

**2019 – 2020**

**Parent and Family Engagement Plan**

**Parent and Family Engagement Mission Statement**

The Parent and Family Engagement mission of Belle Glade Elementary is to increase student achievement and create a student-centered environment by strengthening the home-school connection through collaboration with families and stakeholders throughout the community.

**Stakeholder Involvement**

Belle Glade Elementary recognizes the importance of forming a strong partnership with parents and community members in order to positively impact the students in our school. To promote effective parent involvement, the staff at Belle Glade Elementary welcomes input from parents and community members and encourages them to join us in the activities outlined in this plan. We will work with parents as equal partners in the educational process.

**Annual Title I Meeting**

Parents are invited to attend this meeting at the beginning of each school year to learn more about the requirements of Title I and our school wide Title I Programs. At this meeting there will be opportunities to review Title I documents and give input on the following:

School-Parent Compact, Title I Parent and Family Engagement Plan, Parents’ Right to Know, ideas for future parent involvement activities, and Title I Budget.

Our meeting was on August 28, 2019 from 5:00-7:00 pm in the Cafeteria.

**Accessibility for all Families**

We will accommodate all families by providing the following:

Choices of meeting dates and times based on input from parents, interpreters, translated documents, childcare at the school, invite community stakeholders to share services to the parents. We would love to have you here at our meetings and events so if you feel that there are more ways we can accommodate your family, please let us know. We are all a part of your child’s education.

**Parent and Family Engagement Trainings**

Based on parent survey input, we will provide the following activities to assist parents in understanding the state curriculum and assessments to help parents improve their children’s academic achievement:

·Advanced Via Individual Determination (AVID Nights, Literacy, Math and Science Nights will be implemented for parents to learn strategies to help their children at home. Assessment Information Nights will inform parents of FSA, FSSA, grade level assessments, curriculum and grade level expectations. Throughout the year, Belle Glade Elementary will share relevant information and best practices with parents, and to inform them of the value of family engagement.

**Shared Decision Making**

Through the school’s SAC, parents will review and give input while writing the school’s Parent and Family Engagement Plan (PFEP) and evaluate the plan annually. Parents will also give input in writing the School-Parent Compact. Parents will review the Title I Family Involvement Survey results to determine necessary changes. Use of parental involvement funds will also be discussed. Parents will receive information in a timely manner and will be informed of student curriculum and assessments. Parents will have opportunities to discuss school wide programming and review data reports. We hope you can join us for SAC.

**Communication**

Parents will be provided information in a language and format which is easy to understand. We will communicate with parents by:

· Flyers, Class Dojo, Emails, Planners, Edline, Call outs, Facebook, Conferences and home visits by the Parent Involvement Liaison. The school will also hold its monthly School Advisory Council (SAC) meetings where all parents are invited to participate on this council. Family Involvement Surveys will be distributed to parents for parent input.

Parents are encouraged to ask questions, visit our school and have conferences with the teacher all throughout the year. If you find that communication does not seem to be getting home, please let us know.

**Volunteers**

Parents are encouraged to volunteer at our school in a variety of capacities that address the needs of the students and school. To find out more about volunteer opportunities, please contact Mrs. Pittman who is our volunteer coordinator. We would love to have your help!

**Coordination and Integration**

Belle Glade Elementary has collaborated with Everglades Elementary as their sister school to provide our families and our school with resources such as a Thanksgiving drive and school supplies. Bridges of Belle Glade works closely with our school to develop Kindergarten round up curriculum to prepare the students all summer long. Office depot, The Young Lawyers of Palm Beach and Back to Basics support our families in order to increase student achievement. They provide backpacks, school supplies and uniforms for our students at BGE.

**Other activities**

Aside from the other activities that have been mentioned, we also offer school carnivals, book fairs, the band program, SECME and so much more! We really want to develop our students to become well rounded students.

**Our Plan**

This Parent Involvement Plan has been jointly developed and distributed to the parents of Belle Glade Elementary students. We welcome your suggestions to improve our family engagement practices. If you have any suggestions, you are encouraged to attend our SAC meeting and our Annual Stakeholder Input Meeting in the spring or write them on the comment section below.

 Please review and send the return portion below with your child to the classroom teacher.

**For the full School Wide Plan (SWP), please visit our school and a copy is located in our front office. The SWP will also be referred to throughout the year in our SAC and other meetings.**

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I have reviewed the School Parent and Family Engagement Plan (PFEP) 2019-2020

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