## DR. DAVID L. ANDERSON MIDDLE SCHOOL Title I, Part A Parental Involvement Plan

I, Tim Aitken , 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 project, where prohibited.

## Assurances

* The school will be governed by the statutory definition of parental involvement, and will carry out programs, activities, and procedures in accordance with the definition outlined in Section 9101(32), ESEA;
* Involve the parents of children served in Title I, Part A in decisions about how Title I, Part A funds reserved for parental involvement are spent [Section 1118(b)(1) and (c)(3)];
* Jointly develop/revise with parents the school parental involvement policy and distribute it to parents of participating children and make available the parental involvement plan to the local community [Section 1118 (b)(1)];
* Involve parents, in an organized, ongoing, and timely way, in the planning, review, and improvement of programs under this part, including the planning, review, and improvement of the school parental involvement policy and the joint development of the schoolwide program plan under section 1114(b)(2) [Section 1118(c)(3)];
* Use the findings of the parental involvement policy review to design strategies for more effective parental involvement, and to revise, if necessary, the school’s parental involvement policy [Section 1118(a)(E)];
* If the plan for Title I, Part A, developed under Section 1112, is not satisfactory to the parents of participating children, the school will submit parent comments with the plan when the school submits the plan to the local educational agency [Section 1118(b)(4)];
* 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 [Section 1111(h)(6)(B)(i)];
* Provide each parent timely notice when their child has been assigned or has been taught for four (4) or more consecutive weeks by a teacher who is not highly qualified within the meaning of the term in 34 CFR Section 200.56 [Section 1111(h)(6)(B)(ii)]; and
* Provide each parent timely notice information regarding their right to request information on the professional qualifications of the student's classroom teachers and paraprofessionals [Section (h)(6)(A)].

On record at the School

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| **Signature of Principal or Designee**  | Date Signed |

**Mission Statement**

Parental Involvement Mission Statement (Optional)

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| **Response:** Dr. David L. Anderson Middle School aims to involve all families in supporting each student's academic journey. Providing ongoing communication and creating learning opportunities is critical to the success of each student. Working together to meet the needs of each student is our top priority. |

**Involvement of Parents**

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 parental involvement will be used [Sections1118(c)(3), 1114(b)(2), and 1118(a)(2)(B)].

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| **Response:** Parents of the School Advisory Committee (SAC) will participate in the development of the Parent Involvement Plan. SAC will use results of School and Title 1 Parent surveys to guide development of the Parent Involvement Plan. During the first SAC meeting of the year, our Parent Involvement Series will be presented, outlining the program we will offer in SY 2015-2016 |

**Coordination and Integration**

Describe how the school will coordinate and integrate parental involvement 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 III, Title IV, and Title VI [Section 1118(e)(4)].

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| **count** | **Program** | **Coordination** |
| 1 | District Coordination | AMS coordinates with the Martin County District office on all matters involving Title I. This involves both formal, scheduled meetings and informal day-to-day contacts to insure the smooth coordination of all efforts. Both budgetary and programmatic issues are fully coordinated. Where others are needed (i.e. ESE, food services, etc.) they are contacted directly and invited to participate in meetings. |
| 2 | Local Coordination | Working together with the Stuart Parent Resource Center, we have created a Parent Involvement Series for SY2015-2016. |

**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, the nature of the Title I program (schoolwide or targeted assistance), Adequately Yearly Progress, school choice, supplemental educational services, and the rights of parents. Include timeline, persons responsible, and evidence the school will use to demonstrate the effectiveness of the activity [Section 1118(c)(1)].

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| **count** | **Activity/Tasks** | **Person Responsible**  | **Timeline** | **Evidence of Effectiveness** |
| 1 | Hold Open House / Annual Meeting | Principal | August 2015 | Parent turnout during "Parent Nights" |
| 2 | Review Restructuring Plan at Fall SAC meeting | Principal and Title 1 Director | Fall 2015 | Attendance at SAC meeting |

**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 parental involvement [Section 1118(c)(2)].

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| **Response:** By surveying our parents we have determined that we will offer monthly meetings, on Thursday at 5:00 p.m.and/or after SAC meetings monthly on Tuesdays to discuss school wide needs. These meetings will take place in the Media Center and provide opportunities for families to be aware of what is going on at AMS. In addition, we will conduct on-going surveys with our parents and provide flexible meeting times if necessary. |

**Building Capacity**

Describe how the school will implement activities that will build the capacity for strong parental involvement, in order to ensure effective involvement of parents and to support a partnership among the school involved, parents, and the community to improve student academic achievement [Section 1118(e)]. Describe the actions the school will take to provide materials and training to help parents work with their child to improve their child’s academic achievement [Section 1118(e)(2)].Include information on how the school will provide other reasonable support for parental involvement activities under Section 1118 as parents may request [Section 1118(e)(14)].

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| **count** | **Content and Type of Activity** | **Person Responsible**  | **Anticipated Impact on Student Achievement** | **Timeline** | **Evidence of Effectiveness** |
| 1 | Family Nights will be planned, advertised, and presented at least 3 times a year. | Principal and Guidance Counselor | Access to community resources | SY2015-2016 | Sign-In Sheets |
| 2 | Open House and Conference Nights | Principal and Team Leaders | Increase awareness of grade-level expectations | SY2015-2016 | Sign-In Sheets |
| 3 | Provide support, training, translation and academic help to parents. Promote Stuart Parent Resource Center | Parent Liaison | Use of resources helps students learn | SY2015-2016 | Log of contact by families by Stuart Parent Liaison |
| 4 | Curriculum Nights | Principal and Assistant Principal | Parental contact with teachers increases involvement in school work | 4 times annually | Sign-In Sheets |
| 5 | Inviting Community Organizations to participate during evening conferences | Principal, Guidance Counselor | Increased parental awareness of academic goals helps maintain involvement on school work. | September - May | Sign-In Sheets |

**Staff Training**

Describe the professional development activities the school will provide to educate the teachers, pupil services personnel, principals, and other staff in how to reach out to, communicate with, and work with parents as equal partners, in the value and utility of contributions of parents, and in how to implement and coordinate parent programs, and build ties between parents and schools [Section 1118(e)(3)].

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| **count** | **Content and Type of Activity** | **Person Responsible**  | **Anticipated Impact on Student Achievement** | **Timeline** | **Evidence of Effectiveness** |
| 1 | Distribute to staff the district's "Engaging Parents Newsletter twice a year. | Parent Liaison | Understanding importance of parents role will help teachers structure more effective instructional strategies | Twice a year | Receipt of newsletter |
| 2 | School newsletter will include a Title I corner with the relevant information | Reading Coach | Understanding importance of parents role will help teachers structure more effective instructional strategies | Quarterly | Parent participation |
| 3 | New Compacts will be shared with faculty | Principal and teachers | Understanding importance of parents role will help teachers structure more effective instructional strategies | Fall | Record of teacher inservice |

**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 [Section 1118 (e)(4)].

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| **Response:** 1. Work with district office to get more translators.2. Increase the number of teacher referrals for parents to use the Parent Resource Center to assist their child.3. Provide parents with important information through newsletter and Connect Ed telephone system.4. Provide busing for parents who do not have the resources to attend select parent nights |

**Communication**

Describe how the school will provide parents of participating children the following [Section 1118(c)(4)]:

* Timely information about the Title I programs [Section 1118(c)(4)(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 [Section 1118(c)(4)(B)];
* 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[Section 1118(c)(4)(C)]; and
* If the schoolwide program plan under Section 1114 (b)(2) 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 [Section 1118(c)(5)].

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| **Response:** 1. Hold Open House/Annual Title I Meeting August 2015.2. Parent Involvement Series of programs - Guidance/Parent Resource Center.3. School Advisory Committee meetings are held monthly.4. Provide Family Liaison to work with families.5. School website will include newsletter for families 6. Connect Ed telephone calls for timely info.7. Work with district office to get more translators.8. Provide busing for select parent involvement events. |

**Accessibility**

Describe how the school will provide full opportunities for participation in parental involvement 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 [Section 1118(e)(5) and 1118(f)].

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| **Response:** 1. All important schoolwide meetings (Open House, Title I Annual Meeting, SAC, Family Nights) are held at night. Busing provided for select events for parents.2. All important notices (Report Cards, letters, newsletters, AlertNow, etc.) are sent in English and Spanish.3. Staff is available on campus to translate from English to Spanish. When necessary, the district office will provide assistance in translating in Haitian French-Creole. |

**Discretionary Activities**

Discretionary School Level Parental Involvement Policy Components Check if the school does not plan to implement discretionary parental involvement activities. Check all activities the school plans to implement:

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| **count** | **Activity**  | **Description of Implementation Strategy** | **Person Responsible**  | **Anticipated Impact on Student Achievement** | **Timeline** |
| 1 | Maximizing parental involvement and participation in their children’s education by arranging school meetings at a variety of times, or conducting in-home conferences between teachers or other educators, who work directly with participating children, with parents who are unable to attend those conferences at school [Section 1118(e)(10)]; | All important schoolwide meetings (Open House, Title I meetings, SAC, Family Nights) are held at night. | T. Aitken | Responsible, involved parents help improve student achievement | Ongoing |

**Upload Evidence of Input from Parents**

Upload evidence of parent input in the development of the plan.

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**Upload Parent-School Compact**

Note: As a component of the school-level parental involvement 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 Section 1118(d)].

Upload an electronic version of the Parent-School Compact.

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**Upload Evidence of Parent Involvement in Development of Parent-School Compact**

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Upload evidence of parent input in the development of the compact.

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## Evaluation of the previous year's Parental Involvement Plan

**Building Capacity Summary**

Provide a summary of activities provided during the previous school year that were designed to build the capacity of parents to help their children [Section 1118 (e)(1-2)]. Include participation data on the Title I annual meeting.

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| **count** | **Content and Type of Activity** | **Number of Activities** | **Number of Participants** | **Anticipated Impact on Student Achievement** |
| 1 | Open House- 6th grade | 1 | 431 | More parents aware of curriculum and expectations |
| 2 | Open House - 7th and 8th grade | 1 | 524 | More parents aware of curriculum and expectations |
| 3 | Family Science Night | 1 | 211 | Parent aware of curriculum and students progress |
| 4 | Orientation of New Parent to Anderson Middle | 1 | 505 | Parent able to assist students into middle school enviroment |
| 5 | Middle School Transistion Night | 1 | 172 | Preparing Parent to help their student |
| 6 | Parent Meeting- testing/grading | 1 | 45 | Make parent aware of what expectations are coming from the state |

**Staff Training Summary**

Provide a summary of the professional development activities provided by the school during the previous 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 [Section 1118 (e)(3)].

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| **count** | **Content and Type of Activity** | **Number of Activities** | **Number of Participants** | **Anticipated Impact on Student Achievement** |
| 1 | Parent Workshop | 1 | 80 | high achievement by high parent participation |

**Barriers**

Describe the barriers that hindered participation by parents during the previous school year in parental involvement 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) [Section 1118(a)(E)].

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| **count** | **Barrier (Including the Specific Subgroup)** | **Steps the School will Take to Overcome** |
| 1 | Transportation to meetings- low socio-ecomonic | Contact transportation and provide transportation to various parent activities. |
| 2 | ESE Documents are not translated | Working with District ESE staff to accomplish |
| 3 | Parents do not have internet access | Brainstorming with staff and community of other ways to reach parents. |

**Best Practices (Optional)**

Describe the parental involvement activity/strategy the school implemented during the previous schoool year that the school considers the most effective. This information may be shared with other LEAs and schools as a best practice. (Optional)

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