**Legacy Scholars Academy**

**Title I, Part A Parent & Family Engagement Plan previously known Parental Involvement Plan.**

I, Stephanie A. Workman, 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 1116 (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 1116 (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 1116(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 1116(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 1116(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)].

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

# Mission Statement

Parental Involvement Mission Statement (Optional)

Response:Through collaboration between Volusia County Schools and the Florida United Methodist Children’s Home, our students will improve their functioning in relation to the family, community, educational environments and residential environments.

# 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 [Sections1116(c)(3), 1114(b)(2), and 1116(a)(2)(B)].

Response: Upon admission to FUMCH, students are assigned house parents who serve as their parental unit while living here. Educational progress reports are sent home weekly to the house parents and daily notes are written in each student’s planner. House parents also attend any IEP or other educational meeting that may need to be held for the student. At this time, student success in Reading, Math and Science are discussed. At the Annual Title I meetings, parents are surveyed as how to allocate funds for parent involvement.

# 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 1116(e)(4)].

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| **count** | **Program** | **Coordination** |
| 1 | Legacy | Counseling-student/parent/therapist |
| 2 | Legacy | Houseparent Meetings |
| 3 | Title 1, Part A | Supplemental tutoring after school. Supplemental materials and supplies needed to close the achievement gap. |
| 4 | Title 10 | Supplemental tutoring after school. Supplemental materials and supplies needed to close the achievement gap.Visitation from the Volusia County Schools Homeless Social Worker |
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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, 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 1116(c)(1)].

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| **count** | **Activity/Tasks** | **Person Responsible** | **Timeline** | **Evidence of Effectiveness** |
| 1 | Schedule annual meeting | Stephanie Workman | Sept/Oct 2017 | Parent sign-in sheets, Title I handouts, Annual Title I surveys and agenda |
| 2 | Send home flyer announcing meeting | Stephanie Workman | Sept/Oct 2017 | Parent sign-in sheets, Title I handouts, Annual Title I surveys |
| 3 | Present agenda, handouts, Power Point presentation | Stephanie Workman | Sept/Oct 2017 | Parent sign-in sheets, Title I handouts, Annual Title I surveys |
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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 parental involvement [Section 1116(c)(2)].

Response: School-based meetings are scheduled in advance. House parents can request meetings based on their schedule and the teacher’s planning period. In addition, teacher’s communication daily through student planners. House parents can comment in the planner to share information with the teachers.

# 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 1116(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 1116(e)(2)].Include information on how the school will provide other reasonable support for parental involvement activities under Section 1116 as parents may request [Section 1116(e)(14)].

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| **count** | **Content and Type of Activity** | **Person Responsible** | **Anticipated Impact on Student Achievement** | **Timeline** | **Evidence of Effectiveness** |
| 1 | Math Night | Desiree Montagna | Increase parent knowledge to assist students with math homework  | 2018 School Year | Increase in student grades and test scores |
| 2 | Science Night | Hannah Hendricks | Increase parent knowledge to assist students with science homework | 2018 School Year | Increase in student grades test scores |
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# 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 1116(e)(3)].

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| **count** | **Content and Type of Activity** | **Person Responsible** | **Anticipated Impact on Student Achievement** | **Timeline** | **Evidence of Effectiveness** |
| 1 | Partnering with Parents | Title I Parent Education Facilitator | How to help LSA staff increase communication with parents  | 2018 School Year | Improved communication |
| 2 | Planner Training | Stephanie Workman | How to accurately complete the planner to provide parents with useable information  | August 2017 | Clear, concise communication from LSA staff to home and vice versa.  |
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# 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 1116 (e)(4)].

Response: House parents are involved with daily schedule of students, including therapies, that target functional relationships between parent and children. House parents are encouraged to participate in school activities such as IEP meetings, school functions and requesting parent-teacher conferences.

# Communication

Describe how the school will provide parents of participating children the following [Section 1116(c)(4)]:

* Timely information about the Title I programs [Section 1116(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 1116(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 1116(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 1116(c)(5)].

Response: Title I informational flyers are send home with students; house parents are also notified through email. Daily communication is sent home to house parents through the planner. House parents can request meetings at any time with the administration or teaching staff. Parent sign in sheets at Annual Title I meetings indicating they were present.

# 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 1116(e)(5) and 1116(f)].

Response: Interpreter for limited English-speaking parent is on site

FUMCH Education Director shares information with house parents regarding parent activities

FUMCH is a handicapped accessible facility

# 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 | Maximize parental involvement and participation in their child’s education by arranging school meetings at a variety of times or conducting in cottage conferences between VCS staff and house parents[Section 1118(e)(10)] | Flexible scheduling of school meetings | Classroom teachers | Improve student participation in school activities | 2018 school year |
| 2 | Develop appropriate roles for community-based organizations and businesses, including faith-based organizations, in parental involvement activities [Section 1118(e)(10)] | FUMCH will schedule family meetings to improve parent/child communication | FUMCH | Improved student participation on school activities | 2018 school year |
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# Upload Evidence of Input from Parents

Please provide evidence of parent input in the development of the plan.

Please upload into SharePoint and keep copies for your records.

# 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 1116(d)].

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# Upload Evidence of Parent Involvement in Development of 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 1116(d)].

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

## This is our first year.

**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 1116 (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 |  |  |  |  |
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# 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 1116 (e)(3)].

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# 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 1116(a)(E)].

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| **count** | **Barrier (Including the Specific Subgroup)** | **Steps the School will Take to Overcome** |
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# Best Practices (Optional)

Describe the parental involvement activity/strategy the school implemented during the previous school 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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| **count** | **Content/Purpose** | **Description of the Activity** |

Please return completed Parent & Family Engagement Plan to your Parent & Family Engagement Facilitator.