## Joseph Williams Elementary Title I, Part A Parent & Family Engagement Plan

I, Anyana Stokes, 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 conduct outreach to all parents and family members and implements programs, activities, and procedures for the involvement of parents and family members in all of its Title I, Part A programs consistent with Section 1116 of the Every Students Succeeds Act (ESSA). Such programs activities and procedures shall be planned and implemented with meaningful consultation with parents of participating children. [ESSA Section 1118(a)]
* The school will work to ensure that the required school-level parent and family engagement policy is developed under subsection (b), each school served under this part will develop a Home-School Compact that outlines how parents, the entire staff, and students will share the responsibility for improved student academic achievement and the means by which the school and parents will build and develop a partnership to help children achieve the State's high standards. [ESSA Section 1116(d)]
* In carrying out the Title I, Part A parent and family engagement requirements to the extent practicable, the school will provide full opportunities for the participation of parents with limited English proficiency, parents with disabilities, and parents of migratory children, including providing information and school reports required in an understandable and uniform format, including alternative formats upon request, and to the extent practicable, in a language parents understand. [ESSA Section1116(e)(f)]
* The school will involve parents and family members of children receiving services under this part in the decisions regarding how funds reserved are allotted for parental involvement activities. [ESSA Section 1116(3)]
* The school will be governed by the statutory definition of ''parents and family engagement'' as defined in ESSA Section 8101, and is expected that to carry out programs, activities, and procedures in accordance with this definition.
* The school will use funds reserved under this part to carry out activities and strategies consistent with the parent and family engagement policy as outlined in ESSA Section 1116(3).

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

**Parent & Family Engagement Mission Statement**

**Response**: Joseph Williams Elementarysupports parent involvement and believes that it is essential for each student’s academic success. We encourage family involvement in all of our school activities.

**Involvement of Parents**

The school will involve parents in the planning, review, and improvement of Title I programs including parental involvement and in the decisions regarding how funds for parental involvement will be used by:

* Parents are invited to join the Parent Teacher Association (PTA) and School Advisory Council (S.A.C.)
* Parents are encouraged to provide feedback and suggestions through a variety of ways including surveys, workshops and parent meetings.
* As workshops are offered during the school year, parents provide feedback on the effectiveness and are asked to give suggestions on how the school can continue to provide adequate support and resources that will help their child to become more successful.

**Coordination and Integration**  
  
The school will coordinate and integrate the following Parent & Family Engagement programs and activities with other Federal Programs, to the extent feasible and appropriate, in an effort to teach parents how to help their children at home.

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| **Count** | **Program** | **Coordination** |
| 1 | Kindergarten Roundup | The school will advise Kindergarten Round-up, district sponsored activities through various methods will be presented. The Title 1 department provides “Parenting Corner” workbooks in English and Spanish. Title 1 also provides parenting magazines with tips and information for parents. |

**Annual Parent Meeting**  
  
The school will 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 (school-wide or targeted assistance), and the rights of parents through the following activities.

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| **Count** | **Activity/Tasks** | **Person Responsible** | **Timeline** | **Evidence of Effectiveness** |
| 1 | School will hold the Annual Parent Meeting in first 2-3 weeks of school | Principal,  Title I Lead Teacher  Title 1 Team | August/ September | Parent Input Evaluations, sign-in sheets, agendas, PowerPoint handout, and minutes from meetings. |
| 2 | Development of agenda for Annual Parent Meeting. | Principal,  Title I Lead Teacher | August/  September | Completed Agenda |
| 3 | Develop/plan materials (presentation, school/district handouts) for Annual Parent Meeting. | Principal,  Title I Lead Teacher | August/  September | Copies of presentation and all handouts |
| 4 | Send notices in school newsletter, send invitations via backpacks, alert parents of meeting. | Principal,  Title I Lead Teacher | August/  September | Photograph of marquee, copy of newsletters and invitations |

**Flexible Parent Meetings**

The school will offer flexible opportunities for parents and families to participate in organized and ongoing workshops and meetings by:

* Parent Meeting times are arranged on a flexible schedule, ranging from early morning during the school day, to early evening meetings.
* Title 1 Annual Meeting will be held so working families will be able to attend.
* All information from the Title 1 Annual Meeting will be available in the parent resource area and on the school website.

**Building Capacity – Parent/Family Workshops**

The school will implement the following activities as a means to build the capacity for strong parental and family engagement and to support a partnership among the school, families, and the community to improve student academic achievement.

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| **Count** | **Content and Type of Activity** | **Person Responsible** | **Anticipated Impact on Student Achievement** | **Timeline** | **Evidence of Effectiveness** |
| 1 | Building Communities – Meet the Teacher | Teachers & Administration | Building a bridge between home and school. | September 2018 | Agenda, Sign-in sheets |
| 2 | Class Expectations in Curriculum and Behavior -- Open House | Teachers & Administration | Student Academic Achievement | September 2018 | Agenda, Sign-in sheets |
| 3 | Home-School Communication - Planning for Success | Teachers, Title 1, Administration | Parents and Students are introduced to the various tools that are used for increasing student achievement and communication between home and school. | September 2018 | Agenda, Sign-in sheets |
| 4 | Parent Conference Nights --Teachers will share student progress and resources | Teachers, Title 1, Administration | To support students and increase student proficiency on FSA; Quarterly Assessments. Teachers will share with parents how they can use technology to support their child at home. | October 2018;  January 2018;  March 2018 | Agenda, Sign-in sheets |
| 5 | Academic Workshop:  Education Summit | Teachers, Title 1, Administration | To inform parents about state assessments, rigor and academic expectations. Parents will be provided with information, resources and strategies on how they can support their child in ELA, Math, Science, Social Studies. Teachers will share how parents can support their child with test-taking strategies that can be used at home and school. | January-March 2020 | Agenda, Sign-in sheets, flyers |
| 7 | Family Science Night | Teachers, Title 1, Administration | Title 1 will provide science activities that can be implemented at home to reinforce science concepts thus increasing student achievement. | October 2019 | Agenda, Sign-in sheets, flyers |
| 8 | Family Math Night | Teachers, Title 1, Administration | Title 1 will provide math activities that can be implemented at home to reinforce math concepts thus increasing student achievement. | December 2019 | Agenda, Sign-in sheets, flyers |

**Staff Training**

The school will provide the following professional development activities to educate the teachers and school staff in how to reach out to, communicate with, and work with parents and families as equal partners and in how to implement and coordinate family programs, and build relationships between families and the school.

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| **count** | **Content and Type of Activity** | **Person Responsible** | **Anticipated Impact on Student Achievement** | **Timeline** | **Evidence of Effectiveness** |
| 1 | Review of District and School-level Parent & Family Engagement Plans | Title I Lead Teacher  Principal | A positive student impact will results from the staff’s ability to effectively work with families. | August | Training agendas and sign-in sheets  Training evaluations  Parent Surveys |
| 2 | Review of Home-School Compact and School Improvement Plan | Title I Lead Teacher and Principal | A positive student impact will results from the staff’s ability to effectively communicate the academic expectation to families. | August | Training agendas and sign-in sheets  Training evaluations  Parent Surveys |
| 3 | Student Home-School Communication Tool | Title 1 Lead Teacher  Principal | To assist the staff on to develop communication with parents and help all students to be successful and increase student achievement | August | Training agendas and sign-in sheets |

**Other Activities**

The school will conduct activities, make resources available to parents and families and provide encouragement and support to families so that they can more fully participate in the education of their children by:

* Maintaining a Parent & Family Resource Area consisting of information related to the school and Title I Program as well as academic resources available for home use.
* Making the Parents Make a Difference newsletter available through the school website, The Parent & Family Resource Notebook, and is hard copy upon request.

**Communication**  
  
The school will provide parents of participating children with:

Timely information about the Title I program and activities by;

* Conducting the Annual Meeting.
* Providing various forms of communication (i.e., emails, phone calls, school website, notification letters, teacher to parent conferences, and etc.) to ensure that all parents and families are informed about Title 1 programs and activities throughout the school year.

Descriptions and explanations of the academic curriculum, the forms of academic assessment used to measure student progress, and the proficiency levels students are expected to meet through;

* Information shared at the Annual Meeting.
* Parents will be informed about their child’s progress on a regular basis, including FSA, AIMS and other assessments, as applicable.

Opportunities for regular meetings to formulate suggestions and to participate, as appropriate, in decisions relating to the education of their children;

* Parents are strongly encouraged to attend at least one parent conference during the school year.
* Parent Conference nights are held once a semester to ensure that parents are able to meet with their child’s teacher once a semester.

A means to document parent comments/concerns regarding the school wide program plan when it is not satisfactory to the parents of participating children. The school will include documentation of parent comments/concerns with the plan that will be made available to the local education agency by;

* Evidence of parental input, including evidence of dissatisfaction, will be submitted to the Title I office as part of the regular Parent & Family Engagement Plan review process.
* The school will review all parent comments/concerns and will use the information to continue towards improving parent/family engagement within the community.

**Accessibility**  
  
The school will provide full opportunities for participation in parent & family engagement activities for all participants (including parents with limited English proficiency, disabilities, migratory, and homeless children) by:

* Utilizing quarterly Skyward reports as a means to identify families who may need accommodations in order to actively participate in school activities.