



John Tyler Elementary
Portsmouth Public Schools
Parental & Family Engagement Policy
2017-18

John Tyler Elementary School's Title I Parental Involvement Policy encourages parents of children who are eligible to participate in Title I to be partners who are committed and involved in their children's education. This policy stresses shared responsibility between the school and parents in order to attain high student achievement. The involvement of parents in their children's education is critical; therefore, John Tyler's Title I Parental Policy will include the following provisions:

- Parents and the school community will develop and/or update the parental involvement policy annually.
- The school and the Title I office will offer family opportunities that will promote student achievement and student success.
- Establish a Title I Parent Team annually which will meet quarterly during the school year and include parent representatives.
- Hold an Open House at the beginning of the school year to explain the Title I program's goals and convey the importance of parental involvement on the second Tuesday in September.
- Inform parents of their rights to suggest or recommend Title I projects.
- Conduct a survey. The end of the year results will be used in planning for the following school year.
- Coordinate and integrate the parental involvement strategies with other programs such as preschool programs.
- Network with community-based organizations, to assist parents, by sharing information about self-improvement activities such as GED, Adult Basic Education classes and technology training.
- Communicate timely information about Title I programs to parents and staff and inform them of any revisions in federal and state law.



2017-18 Parent & Family Engagement Policy Committee:

Heidi M. Lewis, Principal
Ralph K. Snowden, Assistant Principal
Kimberly Jones, Parent/President of John Tyler PTA
Nancy Ruben, Parent
Melissa Terry, Parent
Aurther Williams, Therapeutic Day Treatment Provider
Cardell C. Patillo, Jr., Mentor/Volunteer
Henry Billups, Special Education Teacher
David Birch, Physical Education Teacher
Kendall Bradshaw, 5th grade
Janice Parham, 2nd grade
Tiffany Richie, Math Specialist
Diane Shores, Librarian
Michelle Smart, Title I Parent Liaison
Marie Weber, Music Education Teacher



**Parent Calendar of Events
2017-18**

August

31 JTES PTA presents Tigers Movie Night

September

1 Sneak Peek from 10am – 12 pm

5 First Day of School

12 PTA Meeting &
Open House from 6 –7:15 pm

15 Fall Fundraiser Begins

27 Early Release Day – Dismissal at 12:55

29 Grandparents Day

October

2-6 Spirit Week – Participate for Tiger Tickets

3 Walking School Bus Event

9 Parent Teacher Conference 12-7 pm

9-13 Scholastic Book fair

17 PTA Meeting/Reading SOL Workshop

25 Early Release Day – Dismissal at 12:55

30 Fall Pictures by Life Touch

31 Storybook Characters Day

Wear Pink on Fridays in October and receive a Tiger Ticket

November

7 No School – Teacher Workday

9 Early Release Day – Dismissal at 12:55

10 No School – Veteran’s Day

20 Invite your Parent to Lunch Day

22 Early Release Day – Dismissal at 12:55

23 – 24 No School - Thanksgiving Break



December

- 1 Make up Pictures
- 12 PTA Meeting &
Holiday Program Grades K, 5, & 6
- 20 Early Release Day – Dismissal at 12:55
- 21-29 Winter **January**
- 1 Winter Break
- 2 All students Return to School
- 9 PTA Meeting &
Math SOL Workshop 6 pm
- 15 No School – Dr. King Day
- 29 Early Release Day – Dismissal at 12:55
- 30 No School – Teacher Workday

February

- 5-9 School Counselors' Appreciation Week
- 9 100th Day of School
- 13 PTA Meeting – Winter Program Grades 3 & 4
- 19 No School – President's Day

March

- 2 Read Across America – Be a Guest Reader!
- 5 Early Release Day – Dismissal at 12:55
Parent Teacher Conference Day
PTA Meeting & SOL Workshop
- 5-9 Scholastic Book fair
- 12-29 Benchmark Assessments for grades 2-6
- 27 National Elementary Honor Society Induction at 6:30 pm
- 30 Early Release Day – Dismissal at 12:55

April

- 2-6 Spring Break
- 13 Career Day – Come share your Career with Us!
- 16 Spring Pictures by Life Touch (Reschedule due to inclement weather)
- 18 Parent Math Workshop at 4:30 pm
- 20 Math 6th grade Challenge at 10:00 am (Victory Elementary)
- 23-27 SOL Spirit Week
- 26 John Tyler Presents to the PPS School Board at 7:00 pm (801 Crawford Street)
- 27 Virginia Studies History Bowl at 10:00 am (Woodrow Wilson High School)



May

- 4 Lunch Hero Day
- 8 PTA Meeting – Spring Program Grades 1 & 2
- 7-11 Teacher Appreciation Week
- 28 No School – Memorial Day

June

- 11 Recognition Assemblies – TBD
- 12 Field Day & Class Celebrations
 - 10:00 – 11:30 am Grades K-2
 - 1:00 – 2:30 pm Grades 3-6
- 13 Kindergarten End of the Year Program 9:30 am
- 14 6th grade Promotion Ceremony at 9:30 am
- 15 Last Day of School