What is Title I?
Dekalb PATH Academy is identified as a Title I school as part of the Every Student Succeeds Act of 2015 (ESSA). Title I is designed to support state and local school reform efforts tied to the challenging state academic standards to improve teaching and learning for students. Title I programs must be based on effective means of improving student achievement and include strategies to support family engagement. All Title I schools must develop with parents and family members a written parent and family engagement policy.

How is the policy developed and revised?
The policy is jointly developed with parents, school staff, students, and community members. It is reviewed and revised annually during the Title I Stakeholder Input Meetings. A draft of the updated policy is available for additional input during the document review period. All feedback forms from the Title I Stakeholder Input Meetings are submitted to the Title I Office for review. Opportunities are also available for all stakeholders to provide input into the Continuous School Improvement Plan (CSIP), School-Family Compact, building capacity of school staff, and the family engagement 1% set-aside budget.

Where is the policy available?
The policy is available online at http://www.pathacademy.org/our-community/title-i. Paper copies are available upon request in the front office or Parent Center. Families new to our school will receive a copy during the registration process. Residential facilities (Homeless, foster care, and neglected and delinquent) in our school’s attendance area are included in our parent and family engagement correspondence and activities.

Visit our Parent Resource Center
Our Parent Center has many resources like books, study materials, games, and activities you can check out to use at home with your child.

Need help finding materials? Mr. Kevin Romero, our parent liaison is available to assist you.
Email: kromero@pathacademy.org

We chrome books available for parents/family members to use to explore the Infinite Campus Parent Portal and other educational resources to support the learning of their child.

Communication About Student Learning
Our school believes that families are full partners in their child’s education. We will communicate with parents in various ways to include:
- Infinite Campus Parent Portal
- Flyers and notices posted to our school website, Remind & WhatsApp

Parent Teacher Conferences: Parents may request conferences at any time by contacting Mr. Romero: 404-846-3242.
### 2019-2020 District Goals

**Goals of DeKalb County School District**

**Goal Area I: Student Success with Equity and Access**

The DeKalb County School District will increase the percentage of students scoring at the Developing Learner level or above on the Georgia Milestones Literature and Math End of Grade (EOG) Assessment.

### 2019-2020 School Academic Goals

**Goals of Dekalb PATH Academy**

Dekalb PATH Academy will accomplish the following: Increase the percentage of students showing proficient & distinguished performance by 5% and 2% respectively on the Math and ELA Milestones, continue to increase the percentage of students exiting from ESOL by at least 3% and decrease the percentage of students at the beginner level by at least 5% on the Math and ELA Milestones.

### Committed to Student Success Through Parent and Family Engagement

**School-Family Compacts**

Our school will collaborate with parents to jointly develop a school-family compact that outlines how families, students, and the entire school staff will share the responsibility for improved student academic achievement. The compact explains how the school and families will build and develop a partnership to help children achieve the high academic standards of the district and state.

**Training Staff on Parent and Family Engagement**

Based on feedback from parents provided on surveys, feedback forms, and comments during our Stakeholder Input Meetings, we will train our staff to better communicate with, value utility and contributions of, and collaborate with parents as equal partners.

**Annual Title I Meeting**

We will hold the Annual Title I Meeting on **September 27th, 2019 @ 9am**. The meeting will be held at a convenient time to accommodate all stakeholders. Invitations will be sent to all parents via: calling posts, text messages, parent portal, and flyers.

**Parent Resources and Trainings**

We are committed to building our parents’ capacity to improve student academic achievement! We will host several parent workshops to empower you when working with your child(ren) at home. Please review the attached Calendar of Events for parent meetings and family events held at various times of the day.

### Curriculum and Assessment Information

Our school will keep you informed throughout the year about what your child(ren) is learning during Curriculum nights, parent-teacher conferences, and on our school website. The school will also provide parents with individual results of academic assessments including MAP and Georgia Milestones Assessments.

### Reservation of Funds

Parents will participate in the development of the 1% parent and family engagement set-aside during the Stakeholder Input Meetings. Parents are also encouraged to complete surveys and feedback forms regarding the parental set-aside. The information will be shared at the Annual Title I Meeting.

### Coordination of Services and Transition Support

Our school will designate a Mr. Romero to collaborate with feeder schools and to support students and families. Additionally, we will provide families and students support in transitioning to 9th grade by providing families and students support in transitioning by setting up visits with potential feeder schools.

### Support for Parents of English Language Learners (ELL)

Information related to the school and parent programs, meetings, and other activities, is sent to the parents of participating children in an understandable and uniform, including alternative formats upon request and, to the extent practicable, in a language the parents can understand.

### Other Opportunities to Get Together!

Fall Festival – 10/31/2019 6:00 PM – 8:00PM - Get to know your teachers and school staff at this fun-filled family affair. There will be games, food trucks, and an outdoor movie!