

## INTEGRATION WITH OTHER PROGRAMS/COMMUNITY PARTNERS

Pemberton Elementary School has established partnerships with the community:

Wicomico County Judy Center Partnership  
Baxter Enterprises/McDonalds  
Walmart  
Junior Achievement  
Wicomico County Extension Office  
Wrap Around Maryland  
Food Lion  
Deli at Pecan Square  
4-H (University of Maryland Extension Office)  
Rockawalkin United Methodist Church  
Community Christian Church  
Cross Pointe Church of the Nazarene  
Salisbury University



## COORDINATION AND SUPPORT

Program coordination and technical assistance for Pemberton Elementary School in planning and implementing effective family engagement activities will be provided through the efforts of the Title I supervisor, supported by the Family Engagement Specialist and Title I Family Engagement Paraprofessional. Pemberton Staff Members provide ideas, organize materials, share resources and meet with the PAC throughout the year.

## ENSURING ACCESSIBILITY

The Pemberton Elementary School Plan is available for families to review. This plan incorporates the four components of a school wide Title I program and the instructional, attendance and program goals of the school. This plan is available for review at [www.wcboe.org](http://www.wcboe.org). Families may submit questions or comments to the Principals or School Improvement Team Chairperson. The Title I Plan is available in English, Haitian Creole and Spanish. Interpreters and transportation are provided upon request. Invitations and flyers are translated.



## PROVIDING ASSISTANCE AND TRAINING

Families will be provided with timely information about the Title I program and parent involvement requirements under ESSA. Families will also receive information about: the curriculum being taught, proficiency levels students are expected to achieve, and individual assessment data/ results with an explanation. This information may be shared at Back to School Night, a Title I Orientation Meeting and Parent Advisory Council Meetings. Families will also have the opportunity to attend regular meetings related to the education of their children.



Welcome to Pemberton  
Elementary School  
“We Are...One School, One  
Community!”  
Title I Family Engagement Plan  
2019 - 2020

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The Wicomico County Board of Education recognizes that families are their children's first teachers and that they function as educators throughout their child's life. More than thirty years of research shows that student academic success and high self esteem are closely related to family engagement in education from prekindergarten through high school. Pemberton Elementary School also believes that the education of our children is a shared responsibility. Involvement by the school, the family and the community creates a stronger educational system and improves the quality of life for the students, their families and the entire community of Wicomico County. The school system as well as individual schools make the commitment to establish programs and practices that create a climate of mutual trust and respect and that support family engagement.

## FAMILY ENGAGEMENT ACTIVITIES AND TOOLS

Pemberton's Title I funds offer the following activities:

1. Two Family Reading and Math Nights each year
2. A Parent Information Center
3. One strategy workshop
4. Two Parent Advisory Council meetings (one in the fall and one in the spring)
5. SU Leadership Trainings
6. Title I Orientation



## SURVEYS: INTEREST AND VOLUNTEER

At the beginning of the school year, parents are asked to complete an Interest Survey indicating topics they would like more information about, convenient times for them to visit the school and skills they have to share with the school.

At the end of the school year, parents and families are asked to complete a school climate survey. This ensures that the school is welcoming and inviting. Information from these surveys will support the school's efforts in working with parents and families as equal partners.

## SALISBURY UNIVERSITY LEADERSHIP TRAINING

Selected 5th graders from Pemberton have the opportunity to participate in leadership training at Salisbury University. Selected students, who demonstrate leadership qualities and academic excellence, are selected each time. Parents are given the opportunity to get involved as well. Students participate in pre and post visit activities that focus on future goals. The student's tour Parkside's CTE Program and Salisbury University. These tours are led by student leaders sharing with them possible future opportunities.



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## PARENT ADVISORY COUNCIL (PAC) MEETINGS

The Pemberton School Title I Parent Advisory Council (PAC) meetings are held twice a year at the school. Families are invited to attend this meeting. Topics of discussion will include (but not limited to): Title I Program, family input on use of Family Engagement funds, development and updating of a school level family engagement plan and school compact, student data, Maryland State Curriculum and MCCR standards for mathematics and reading, information about state and local assessments and family engagement activities. Families also provide input on professional development for teachers as it relates to understanding the school community and family engagement.

## FAMILY MATH AND READING NIGHTS

Twice a year, Pemberton holds a family reading and math night for students and their family. The goal of the family reading and math nights is to reinforce skills currently being taught in the classroom. This is achieved by using games, manipulatives and family participation. Families will receive a bag of materials to take home to continue to help their child master these skills. In addition, dinner is served. Transportation is provided upon request.

