Title I Annual Parent Meeting

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Agenda

- Welcome
- Why are We Here?
- To inform parents about the Title I Program and its requirements
- The ESSA Act of 2015 requires each Title 1 School to hold an annual meeting
- To inform you of School Participation in Title 1
- To Explain requirements of Title 1
- To Explain parent rights to be involved

What is Title I?

- Title I is the largest federal assistance program for our nation's schools.
- The goal of Title I is a higher quality of education for everychild.
- The program serves millions of children in elementary and secondary schools each year.

How does Title I Work?

- The federal government provides funding to states for Title I.
- The school district identifies eligible schools and allocates Title I funds.
- Two Ways to Implement Title 1(Both Ways use supplemental services)
 - 1) Schoolwide Program (SWP): Serves All Students at the School
 - Targeted Assistance Program (TAS): Serves Identified Title I Students

WHS is a Schoolwide Program

What Will Be Discussed?

- What does it mean to be a Title 1 School?
- What is the 1% set aside for parental involvement
- What is a CIP?
- What is the School Parent Compact?
- How do you request the qualifications of your child's teacher?

What Will Be Discussed? Continued

- How will I be notified if my child is being taught by a teacher who is not highly qualified?
- How is the annual evaluation of the Parental Involvement Plan conducted?
- How will you be involved?

What does it mean to be Title I?

 Being a Title 1 school means the school receives Federal Funding (Title 1 Dollars) to supplement the school's existing programs.

Title 1 Funding is used for:

- Identifying students experiencing academic difficulties and providing timely assistance to help the students meet the states standards
- Purchasing supplemental programs/material/supplies/etc., and hiring supplemental staff.
- Conducting Parental Involvement meetings/trainings and activities
- Recruiting, Hiring, and Retaining Highly Qualified Teachers

What is the 1% Set Aside and how are Parents involved?

- Any LEA with a Title 1 allocation exceeding \$500,000 is required by law to set aside 1% of its Title 1 allocation for parental involvement.
- Of that 1%, 5 % may be reserved at the LEA for system wide initiatives related to parental involvement. The remaining 95% must be allocated to the Title 1 Schools in the LEA. Therefore each Title 1 School receives its portion of the 95% to implement school level parental involvement
- You, as the Title 1 Parent, have the right to be involved in how the money is spent.

What is The LEA Title 1 Plan?

- The LEA Title 1 Plan address how the LEA will use the Title 1 Funds throughout the school system. Topic Include:
 - -Student academic assessments
 - -Additional assistance provide to struggling students
 - -Coordination and integration of Federal Programs
 - -School programs including migrant, pre school, school choice, and supplemental educational services as needed.
- -Parental Involvement strategies including the LEA Parental Involvement Plan

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Title 1 Plan

What is a C.I.P.?

The CIP is your schools Campus Improvement Plan and includes:

- Campus Needs Assessment
- Goals and Strategies to address Academic Needs of Students
- Professional Development Needs
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What's included in the Parental Involvement Plan?

The Plan address how the school will implement the parental involvement requirements of the Every Student Succeeds Act (ESSA) of 2015. Components Include:

- How parents can be involved in decision making activities
- How parental involvement funds are being used
- How information and training will be provided to parents
- How the school will build capacity in parents and staff for strong parental involvement

Working Together: the School Parent Compact

- The compact is a commitment from the school, the parent, and the student, to share in the responsibility for improved academic achievement.
- You, as Title 1 Parents, have the right to be involved in the development of the school parent compact.
- A copy of the School Parent Compact will be distributed

Teacher Qualifications!

- How do I request the qualifications of my child's teacher?
- You, as Title 1 Parents, have the right to request the qualifications of your child's teachers.
- How are you notified of this right and the process for making this request?

Parent Notification!

WHS Teachers Present Status of Teachers

- Notification of parents regarding teachers that are not considered to be Highly Qualified
- How are Parents Notified?

Parent's Rights

It is your right to:

- Be involved and request regular meetings to express your opinions and concerns.
- Be provided information on your child's level of achievement on state assessments in reading/language arts, writing, mathematics, and science.
- Request and receive information on the qualifications of your child's teacher.
- Be informed if your child is taught by a non-highly qualified teacher for four or more consecutive weeks.

Home-School Compact

- Lists School Responsibilities
- Lists Family Responsibilities
- Lists Student Responsibilities

The Home-School Compact is **required** to be discussed during Parent -Teacher Conferences throughout the year.

Support Your Child's Education

Share a love of learning:

- Read to your child
- Ask your child to read to you
- Limit TV/screen time
- Take advantage of the public library and the school media center

Show interest in your child's school day:

- Ask questions
- Ask to see homework
- Praise their efforts
- Encourage good study habits

How Can Parents Help Their Child?

- Keep teachers informed
- Attend school events
- Volunteer at the school
- Join parent committees
- Attend parent involvement activities

- Attend parent-teacher conferences
- Be prepared for the meetings
- List your questions before the meeting
- Consider whether you have met your responsibilities as stated in the home-school compact

Questions?

Thanks!

