

What are my rights as a parent under the Elementary and Secondary Education Act?

You have the right to:

- participate in the development of the School Improvement Plan (SIP), the Parent & Family Engagement Plan (PFEP), and the School-Parent Compact.
- know the qualifications of your child's teacher (s) and if they meet "state qualified" standards.
- understand what your child will be taught.
- be informed about assessments your child will be given and their progress in learning.
- have regular meetings to participate in decisions about your child's education.
- have flexible meeting times.
- receive timely information about Title I Programs.
- receive information in a language you understand (whenever possible).
- participate in the School Advisory Council (SAC) and the District Parent Advisory Committee (DPAC).

What is a School-Parent Compact?

The School-Parent Compact is a document that outlines how parents, school staff, and students will share the responsibility for improved academic achievement. It helps schools and families build a partnership to help students achieve high standards.



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What can I do to help my child succeed in school?

- Make sure your child arrives at school on time and well rested. This helps your child stay engaged in learning.
- Ask your child what he or she learned in school each day.
- Focus on your child's strengths.
- Praise and encourage your child.
- Limit the amount of time your child watches television or plays computer and video games.



Understanding Title I Programs:

A Guide for Families

2019-2020



What is Title I?

Title I is a federal aid program that provides funds to help students succeed academically. These funds are used to help students meet the state's high standards, particularly in the areas of reading, mathematics, science, and writing.

How does a school become eligible for Title I funds?

Schools become eligible for Title I funds based on the number of students that qualify for the Free and Reduced Meal Program. Schools with a poverty rate of 75% or higher automatically receive funds, and those with lower rates may receive funds if they are available.

What is the Free and Reduced Meal Program, and how do I apply?

A school may receive money based upon the percentage of students eligible for the Free and Reduced Meal program. Families may apply online or complete an application and return it to your child's school. One complete application may be used for all of your children, even if they attend different schools.

Why should I apply for the Meal Program?

Schools receive Title I funds based on the percentage of approved applications, so your registration helps the school receive funding. (Your information is kept private.)



What is the focus of each Title I section under the Elementary and Secondary Education Act?

- **Title I: Improving Academic Achievement** ensures that all children have a fair, equal, and significant opportunity to obtain a high-quality education.
- **Title I, Part A: Parent & Family Engagement** seeks to increase parent & family engagement in education and foster communication between the home, school and community.
- **Title I, Part C: Migrant Education Program** ensures that the special educational needs of migrant children are identified and addressed.
- **Title I, Part D: Neglected and Delinquent** provides supplemental educational programs for youth that are enrolled in community day programs or juvenile correctional facilities.

What does Title I do for my child?

Title I provides extra educational services to schools to help boost student learning.

Services may include:

- **Coaches that work with teachers**
- **Intervention teachers that work with Students**
- **Tutoring**
- **Resources like Success Maker, Waterford and Smart Start**
- **Family education activities**
- **Books**
- **Technology**
- **Staff training**
- **Extra materials and supplies**

We want to hear from you!

You have just read about Title I and how it helps students and families. We would appreciate any comments or suggestions for improving our Title I programs.

Parent or Guardian Name (Please print)

Date

School Name

Please write any comments or suggestions below:

Thank you for your input! Please tear off and return this section to your child's school.

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