

Together, Educating Every Student for Excellence

# Title I Parent Information

#### Definition

- Title I is short for the Title I, Part A of the Elementary and Secondary Education Act of 1965, Reauthorized by the No Child Left Behind Act of 2001.
- Federal Program to help students in our nation's schools.
- Provides funding for school-wide programs to help ALL children.
- Promotes parental and community collaboration and support.



#### Title I Components

- School Improvement Plan Checklist
  - School-wide Reform Strategies
  - Instruction by Highly Qualified Teachers
  - Parental Involvement
  - Additional Support
  - School-Specific Transition Plans i.e. assisting preschool students with the transition from early childhood education programs to the elementary school.

### Parental Involvement Policy

- Parental involvement is defined as the participation of parents in regular, two-way and meaningful communication involving student academic learning and other activities. This includes ensuring that:
  - Parents play an integral role in assisting their child's learning
  - Parents are encouraged to be actively involved in their child's education at school
  - Parents are full partners in their child's education and are included, as appropriate in decision making

#### Parental Involvement (cont.)

- ....and on advisory committees to assist in the education of their child.
  - School Improvement Process
  - PBIS Committee
  - Newsletters
  - ParentLink
  - Invitations to Events
  - PTA Meetings
  - School/Community Functions
  - Parent/Teacher Conferences
  - Email—PeachJar



#### Parent Involvement (cont.)

- Surveys
- Open House
- Back to School Nights
- Parent Handbook
- Holding Annual Title I Meeting
- Parent Nights/Workshops
- Progress Reports
- Report Cards
- Bilingual Assistance and Communications



#### Do You Know Your Rights?

- As a parent of a student attending a Title I school, you have the following rights:
  - You can schedule regular meetings with your children's teachers or school administrators.
  - You can obtain information on the level of achievement of your child on each state academic assessment.
  - You can obtain certain information on the professional qualifications of your child's classroom teacher and paraprofessional providing services to your child.

## Your Rights (cont.)

You can file a complaint to the State of Delaware Department of Education (DDOE) if you believe we are violating Federal law or regulations.

#### School/District Responsibilities

- Inform you about programs occurring in the school that may benefit your child
- Tell you if you have the opportunity to choice your child to a different school
- Inform you if free after-school tutoring is available for your child

### School/District Responsibilities (cont.)

- Provide you with opportunities to be involved in school and district improvement efforts, including improvement planning
- Provide timely notices to you if your child has been assigned to or taught for four or more consecutive weeks by a teacher who is not highly qualified
- Provide you with the school's parental involvement policy and school/parent compact

### School/District Responsibilities (cont.)

Make notifications in other languages for the parents of limited English proficient students, including how these parents can be involved and how they can help their children achieve at high levels

#### For more information...

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