Every Student Succeeds Act (ESSA)

Title I, Part A Program Annual Parent Meeting
Hartsfield Elementary School

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Title I, Part A Program - Definition

Definition

Title I, Part A is a formula grant program that provides financial assistance to local educational agencies (LEAs) and schools with high numbers or high percentages of children from low-income families. Formula grant programs are noncompetitive awards based on a predetermined formula. Title I is the largest program supporting elementary and secondary education in the Every Student Succeeds Act (ESSA) .
Purpose
The Title I, Part A program is intended to help ensure that all children meet challenging state academic standards, regardless of economic status. Title I is the government’s attempt to provide all children with the opportunity to receive a fair, equitable and high-quality education, and to close the achievement gap.
How Schools Qualify

• Campuses with an economically disadvantaged enrollment percentage of 40%-100% are considered “school-wide” campuses.
• Campuses with an economically disadvantaged enrollment percentage of 35-39% are considered a “targeted assistance” campus.
• Campuses with an economically disadvantaged enrollment percentage below 35% are not eligible for Title I funds.

This school year, our campus Hartsfield Elementary is identified as a school-wide Title I Campus.
These “supplemental” federal funds are used to:

• Accelerate instruction for struggling students,
• Provide professional-development for teachers, paraprofessionals, and administrators.
• Hire certified personnel, and highly qualified instructional assisting staff.
• Provide additional resources – technology, personnel, materials, instructional programs, software, and
• Encourage parent and family involvement.
Supplemental Dollars?

This means that Title I, Part A funds cannot be used to provide services that are required by:

– State Law
– State Board of Education Rule
– Local Policy
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• At Hartsfield Elementary we spend our Title I dollars on:
  1. Tutorials and Intervention
  2. Reading and Math Material
  3. Class Size Reduction Teacher
Parent and Family Engagement

Research has proven that students whose parents are involved in their child’s education have greater success in school.

So, the Title I Grant supports activities that focus on parental and family involvement.
Parental Involvement Requirements

• **Parent Notifications** (These are regular written communications to inform parents).

• Examples of parent notifications are:
  – **School-Parent Compact** (These are statements of shared responsibilities).
  – **Parent and Family Engagement Policy** (This is a plan to involve parents).
Parental Involvement Requirements

• **Title I Parent Meetings** – These are regular face-to-face meetings to provide trainings to parents as well as collaborate with them about the progress of their child’s education. We will conduct at least 4 meetings each year.

• **Parent and Family Engagement Surveys** – The External Funding Department will provide a parent survey at the end of the school year to evaluate the campus’ Title I, Part A Parent and Family Engagement Program.
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At Hartsfield Elementary we want you to be involved. Here are some ways that you can be involved in your child's school:

1. Participate in revising or developing the School-Parent Compact.
2. Participate in revising or developing the Parent and Family Engagement Policy.
3. Attend Family Engagement Activities.
Other Requirements

• **The Federal Report Card** This report card informs parents of the performance of the campus.
  – At **Hartsfield Elementary** we send a letter home with an internet link to the report card for our school.
  – We also make a copy available upon request.
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• At Hartsfield Elementary we are committed to utilizing our Title I funds to maximize student achievement and impact student learning.
Remember that…

The External Funding Department (Title I) is fundamentally focused to providing quality support to all Title I campuses and central office staff to ensure that all students achieve academic success.

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Questions?

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Thank you

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