What does it mean to be a Title I School?



- Being a Title I school means receiving federal funding (Title I dollars) to <u>supplement</u> the school's existing programs. These dollars are used for...
 - Identifying students experiencing academic difficulties and providing timely assistance to help these student's meet the State's challenging content standards.
 - Purchasing supplemental staff/programs/materials/supplies
 - Conducting parental Involvement meetings/trainings/activities
 - Recruiting/Hiring/Retaining Highly Qualified Teachers

(Examples of Title I support in our school: Technology Teacher, computers, classroom supplies and materials, parent resources, teacher resources, and copier maintenance.)

• Being a Title I school also means parental involvement and parents' rights.

What is the 1% set-aside and how are parents involved? **LEA is used interchangeably between the district and local school**

- Any LEA (The over-all Local Educational Agency: Montgomery Public Schools) with a Title I
 - Allocation exceeding \$500,000 is required by law to set aside 1% of its Title I 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 all Title I schools in the LEA. Therefore each Title I school receives its portion of the 95% to implement school-level parental involvement.
- You, as Title I parents, have the right to be involved in how this money is spent.
- The LEA (Local Educational Agency: Davis Elementary) Title I Plan addresses how the LEA will use Title I funds throughout the school system. Topics include:
 - Student academic assessments
 - Additional assistance provided struggling students
 - Coordination and integration of federal funds and programs
 - School programs including homeless, migrant, pre-school, school choice, supplemental educational services, neglected and delinquent as applicable.
 - Parental Involvement Strategies, including the LEA Parental Involvement Plan
- You, as Title I Parents, have the right to be involved in the development of the LEA Title I Plan.

What is the LEA Parental Involvement Plan?

- This plan addresses how the LEA will implement the parental involvement requirements of the Every Student Succeeds Act of 2015. It includes...
 - The LEA's expectations for parents
 - How the LEA will involve parents in decision-making
 - How the LEA will work to build the schools' and parents' capacity for strong parental involvement to improve student academic achievement
- You, as Title I parents, have the right to be involved in the development of this plan.

What is a CIP?

- The CIP is your school's **C**ontinuous **I**mprovement **P**lan and includes:
 - A Needs Assessment and Summary of Data
 - Goals and Strategies to Address Academic Needs of Students
 - Professional Development Needs
 - Coordination of Resources/Comprehensive Budget
 - The School's Parental Involvement Plan.
- You, as Title I parents, have the right to be involved in the development of this plan.

What's included in the school's Parental Involvement Plan?

- This plan addresses how the school will implement the parental involvement requirements of the *Every Student Succeeds Act of 2015.* Components include...
 - How parents can be involved in decision-making and 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
- You, as Title I parents, have the right to be involved in the development of your school's Parental Involvement Plan.
- 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 I Parents, have the right to be involved in the development of the School-Parent Compact.
- Distribution of the Compact.
- You, as Title I Parents, have the right to request the qualifications of your child's teachers.
- How you are notified of this right and the process for making such request.

How will I be notified if my child is taught by a teacher who is not Highly

All Title I schools must disseminate a blanket statement via Montgomery Public Schools that any parent can request information about any teacher of their child. Under federal law, parents have the right to know the status of the teacher or paraprofessional teaching their child.

At the beginning of the school year, The Parents Right to Know letter is sent to every student in the Title I school within the district to give parents the opportunity to be notified by the central office of their right to request

information about the qualifications of their child's teachers and paraprofessionals, to include: Whether a teacher has met state qualification and licensing criteria for the grade levels and subject areas in which the teacher provides instruction.

How is the evaluation of the LEA Parental Involvement Plan Conducted?

- Evaluation Requirements
 - Conduct annually
 - Conduct with Title I parents
 - Analyze Content and Effectiveness of the current plan
 - Identify Barriers to parental involvement
 - Data/Input may include...
 - Parent Survey (Required)
 - Focus Groups
 - Parent Advisory Committees
- Process and Timeline
- How the evaluation informs next year's plan

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