

# Bellingrath Middle School –

## **Title I Budget Explained for Families**

Bellingrath Middle School receives federal Title I, Part A funding to help support academic growth for all Scholars, especially those who need additional academic help. This money allows us to provide extra resources, staff, and programs that help scholars succeed.

Our total FY26 Title I Budget is approximately \$276,388.

Here is how the funding will be used in simple, parent-friendly terms:

### 1. Instructional Services

This part of the budget supports the teaching and learning happening every day in the classroom.

Funds will pay for:

- A teacher position
- An instructional paraprofessional (teaching assistant)

- Classroom insurance & retirement benefits
- Software programs Scholars use for learning
- Substitute teachers
- Scholar instructional field trips

This ensures Scholars receive more support and high-quality instruction in class.

# 2. Guidance & Counseling Services

This portion pays for:

- A school counselor
- Scholar social-emotional support services

This allows us to support Scholars with academic needs, emotional needs, and goal setting.

# 3. Testing & Academic Support

Funds are set aside for:

- Test preparation help
- Academic readiness resources

This helps Scholars feel prepared for state tests and progress monitoring.

## 4. Parent & Family Engagement

#### Funds are used for:

- Family involvement materials
- Events that help parents support learning at home

Title I requires that we invest directly in supporting families as partners in our success.

# 5. Books & Learning Materials

This budget includes funds for:

• New instructional books and academic resources

These support improved reading and learning in all grade levels.

### 6. Administrative Services

This portion pays for:

- A Title I funded Assistant Principal
- Benefits for that position

This ensures we have strong leadership supporting instruction.

## 7. Transportation Services

This covers:

- Scholar travel to academic events
- Bus mileage
- Bus driver support

This helps ensure Scholars can participate in learning activities beyond the classroom.

# **Why This Budget Matters**

This funding helps us:

- ✓ improve instruction
- ✓ increase reading and math performance
- ✓ support struggling learners
- ✓ support English Language Learners
- ✓ strengthen Scholar attendance
- ✓ improve behavior culture
- **✓** support families
- ✓ expand Scholar opportunities

# **How Title I Helps OUR Scholars**

Because of Title I, Bellingrath Middle School can offer:

- \* smaller group instruction
- \* specialized programs
- more classroom support
- more academic resources
- counseling services
- family support initiatives

And all of this helps Scholars grow academically and emotionally.