Title I Targeted Assistance Program Compact/Family Engagement Plan

Dowell Elementary School 2024-2025



Meet Your Title I Staff

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FAMILY ACTIVITIES

Title I at Dowell Elementary School provides ways for parents/guardians and families to be involved in their child(ren)'s education. In September, we offer individual conferences at times convenient for parents and guardians. In September, we offer an annual meeting which covers Title I programs and services, how students are identified, how parents/guardians can become involved and budgetary information. We also work to ensure that parents/guardians and teachers know how best to maintain two-way communication about student progress.

We also offer a range of parent and family activities throughout the school year, including:

- Winter Family Event
- Spring Family Event
- Parent/Guardian Workshops

As partners in your child's education, your input on the DES School Improvement Plan, Home School Compact, Family Engagement Plan and spending of the parent involvement funds is welcomed and encouraged. Please share your ideas at Parent Advisory Meetings, surveys, evaluations and during Title I events. This plan as well as the Home School Family Learning Compact is available on the Calvert County Public Schools Title I website.

FAMILY ENGAGEMENT LENDING LIBRARY

Reading and Math materials and games will be available for check-out for your family to use at home. You can visit the Family Engagement Lending Library during Title I Family Events, parent visitation days, conference days, special school-wide events or by calling us to schedule a check-out time. Your child may also visit the Family Engagement Lending Library during the morning bus window. We are excited to help your child meet academic standards this year with this opportunity!

VOLUNTEERING

Volunteers are ALWAYS welcome! Be sure to complete the online volunteer application at <u>calvertnet.k12.md.us/volunteer</u> or request a paper application from the front office. You can also join the Title I Parent Advisory Committee.

COMMUNITY PARTNERS

Dowell Elementary partners with the following programs to increase parent and family engagement by coordinating and integrating outreach, training opportunities and resources for the school community:

- Calvert County Public Library
- Calvert County Health Department
- Department of Social Services

- HIPPY/Healthy Families
- The Judy Center

FAMILY ENGAGEMENT FUNDS

By law, at least 1% of Calvert County's Title I allocation must be set-aside for Parent and Family Engagement activities.

At Dowell Elementary, the set-aside for 2023-2024 is \$10,467.79.

In 2023-2024, these funds were used to pay for salaries and wages for events (teachers and FICA), contracted services for transportation if needed, enhance/replenish the Family Lending Library materials and at-home learning resources & supplies.

Parent input on how these funds are spent is vital. To submit your ideas or comments, call the Title I Program at (443) 550-8074, or e-mail the Title I Staff.

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Accessibility for all Title I Families

Title I will facilitate participation opportunities for all families by providing any services needed (interpreters, translation of documents, and transportation).

HOME SCHOOL COMPACT

TITLE I TEACHERS

As teachers we will:

- Provide targeted instruction in a supportive learning environment that promotes student achievement.
- Conduct parent-teacher conferences to discuss individual student achievement.
- Communicate regularly with parents/guardians using folders, conferences, the Title I website, emails, and family events.
- Plan and participate in Title I Family Events.
- Provide access to the Title I Lending Library for students and their families.
- Provide parents with information about school and community resources.
- Be available during the school day by phone or email and by *appointment* before and after school.

PARENT/GUARDIAN

As a family we will:

- Send our child to school regularly and on time.
- Attend parent-teacher conferences to discuss our child's progress.
- Communicate regularly with teachers by using folders, conferences and CCPS quarterly progress reports.
- Participate in Title I Family Events and use the Title I Family Lending Library.

- Provide our child with time, space and help with homework when needed.
- Have a positive and supportive attitude about school and encourage our child to do his/her best every day.
- Volunteer at our child's school

STUDENT

As a student, I will:

- Come to school regularly and on time.
- Talk with my family about what I learned in school.
- Deliver all notes, folders and invitations from school to home.
- Participate in Title I Family Events and use the Title I Family Lending Library.
- Do my homework every night and ask for help when I need it.
- Have a positive attitude about school and do my best every day.
- Set personal and school goals to help me be the best student I can be.