
Parent, Family, & Community Engagement

Research shows that the most accurate predictor of a student's achievement in school is not income or social status, but the extent to which that student's family gets involved in their education. You can become more involved by:

- *Creating a home environment that encourages learning*
- *Expressing high, realistic expectations for your child's achievements*
- *Become more involved in your child's education at school*
- *Have effective home/school communication by writing notes, phone calls, e-mails, text messaging, joining social media school groups, etc.*

What is the Parent's Right to Know Letter?

As a Title I parent, you have the right, by law, to request the qualifications of your child's teachers. If your child is assigned to or taught for four or more consecutive weeks by a teacher who is not highly qualified, the law requires that you must be notified. All DNES teachers are highly qualified and a letter with teacher qualifications is sent home with every student.

Parental Engagement: The Link to Student Success!



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**Title I
Schoolwide Program**

**Annual Meeting of
Title I Parents**

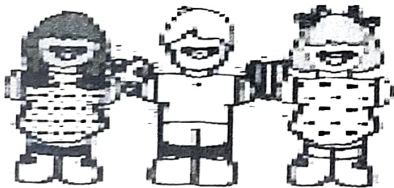
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What is the Title I Schoolwide Program?

Title I is short for "Title I, Part A of Every Student Succeeds Act of 2015 (ESSA)." Title I provides financial assistance to state and local educational agencies to meet the needs of at risk children.

A schoolwide program is a comprehensive reform strategy designed to upgrade the entire educational program in a Title I school; its primary goal is to ensure that all students, particularly those who are low-achieving, demonstrate proficient and advanced levels of achievement on state academic achievement standards. This schoolwide reform should result in an ongoing, comprehensive plan for school improvement that is owned by the entire school community and tailored to its unique needs.

Our school is a Title I school which means we receive federal funding to supplement our school's existing programs. It also means parent, family, and community engagement and parents' rights.



What is the ACIP?

The ACIP is our school's continuous improvement plan. It includes:

- *Needs assessment and data summary
- *Goals and strategies to address academic needs of students
- *Professional development needs
- *Coordination of resources
- *Comprehensive budget
- *Parental involvement plan

As a parent, family member, or community member, YOU have the right to be involved in the development and review of the ACIP and to suggest changes.

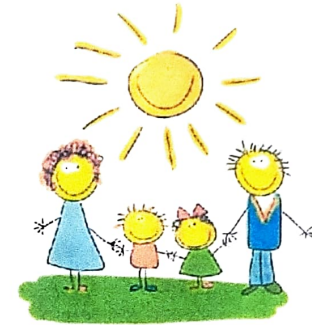
What is Included in the Parent, Family, and community Engagement Plan?

Our School and Morgan County Schools have parent, family and community engagement plans. These plans reflect how each will implement the components of family engagement from the 2015 ESSA Law. These include how parents can be involved in decision making, how funds will be used, and how assistance will be provided for struggling students. As a family member, YOU have the right to be involved in the development of each of these plans.

What is the Home/School Compact?

The Home/School Compact is a commitment from the school, parent, and student to share in the responsibility for improved academic achievement. The compact is distributed at the beginning of each school year. As a parent, family member, or community member, YOU have the right to be involved in the development of the compact.

Copies of the Compact and Parent Involvement Plans are sent home with each student at the beginning of the school year. Additional Title I documents will be sent home at a later date. To obtain extra copies of any document referenced in this publication, contact Melissa Griffin



What is the LEA Title I Plan?

The Local Education Agency (LEA) is the Morgan County School System. The LEA Title I Plan addresses how the LEA will use Title I funds throughout the school system. It includes plans for coordination and integration of school and family programs. As a parent, family member, or community member, YOU have the right to be involved in developing the plan.

What is the 1% Set-Aside?

When an LEA receives at least \$500,000 in Title I allocations, it is required that 1% of that allocation be set aside for parental involvement. Of that 1%, 5% may be reserved at the LEA for system-wide initiatives. The remaining funds are allocated to all Title I schools in the LEA to implement school-level parental involvement. As a parent, family member, or community member, YOU have the right for input.

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