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Dear BBFASD Parents/Guardians and Families,

Below is important information regarding the Big Beaver Falls Area School District Title I programs, Parent and Family Engagement Policies, and School Compacts.

### **What is Title I?**

Title I is a section of federal law that provides regulations for elementary and secondary public schools concerning the use of federal funds, teacher training, academic achievement, and parent/family rights. The purpose of Title I is to ensure that all children have a fair, equal, and meaningful opportunity to obtain a high-quality education.

### **What are the Title I Parent and Family Engagement Policies?**

These policies outline how the school will ensure that parents and families play a meaningful role in their child(ren)'s education. Each school receiving Title I funding is required to develop a Parent and Family Engagement Policy with input from parents and family members.

Parents and family members were actively involved in developing our school's policy. Among other things, the policy explains:

- How parents and families will receive timely information about the Title I program.
- How parents and families will be provided with educational opportunities to learn about the curriculum, testing, and other important topics.
- How parent and family input will be incorporated into the school improvement planning process.

### **What is the Title I Home/School Compact?**

The Home/School Compact serves as a "job description" that defines the roles and responsibilities of the school, parents/families, and students. It outlines what the school will do, what parents/families are expected to do, and what students should do to ensure they receive the best possible education.

### **Why are the Parent and Family Engagement Policies and School Compact important to you?**

- The policies inform you about the types of notifications and information parents and families are entitled to receive.
- They outline which school activities require parent and family input.
- They explain the measures the school will take to remove barriers to parent and family participation.

- The School Compact provides a clear understanding of what you can expect from the school and what the school expects from parents and families in supporting student success.

We encourage you to partner with the school in our efforts to increase parent and family engagement and to enhance student achievement. Research consistently shows that increased parental and family involvement leads to improved student academic success.

We invite parents and families to actively participate in school meetings, family activities, the PTO, and other school and district events.

Respectfully,

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