

Title I Targeted Assistance Program Compact/Family Engagement Plan

Dowell Elementary School 2025-2026



MEET YOUR TITLE I STAFF

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FAMILY ACTIVITIES

Title I at Dowell Elementary School provides meaningful opportunities for parents/guardians and families to take an active role in their child's education. At the beginning of the school year, we hold an annual meeting to share information about the Title I program and services, how students are identified, opportunities for parent involvement, and budget details. Individual conferences are scheduled throughout the year with parents and guardian to review each child's progress. We also emphasize the importance of strong two-way communication between parents and teachers to support student success.

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, we welcome and encourage your input on the DES Home-School Compact, Parent Engagement Plan, and the use of parent involvement funds. You may share your ideas during Parent Power Hours, through surveys and evaluations, and Title I events.

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 from a laptop or desktop computer at calvertnet.k12.md.us/volunteer.

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.

The 2025-2026 Parent Involvement allocation for Dowell Elementary is \$9995.21.

In 2024-2025, 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.