

Arthur F. Smith Middle Magnet School
2025-2026

What is Title I?



August 7, 2025
5:30-6:30 pm

Our Vision

Rapides Parish Schools are relentlessly committed to providing a supportive and innovative educational system that **engages** our community, **empowers** individuals, and **elevates** our people to their maximum potential.



Our Values

We Believe...

- Our **STUDENTS** can and will achieve as well or better than any other students across our great state and across our country.
- Our **TEACHERS** and **STAFF** can and will help our students achieve at such high levels.
- Our **PRINCIPALS** can and will lead our teachers and students to these high levels.
- Our **PARENTS** and **COMMUNITY** can and will support and celebrate this success.



Our Goals

- ❑ All students will perform on grade level in literacy and numeracy by the end of third grade (PK-3rd).
- ❑ Students in grades 4-8 will be proficient on LEAP in all core content areas, will meet individual growth targets in ELA and Math, and make connections with high school and career opportunities.
- ❑ Students in grades 8-12 will maximize growth, achieve proficiency, and thrive with effective support on their chosen path to on-time graduation.
 - ❑ Focus on LEAP exams and national/state identified assessments to accelerate towards college, career, and/or service readiness.



Our Mission

Rapides Parish Public Schools will increase the number of students meeting proficiency in all reportable categories by 10% points.





OBJECTIVES

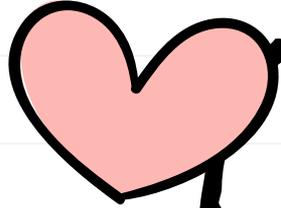
By the end of this presentation, I will be able to:

- Communicate what Title I is and how it helps our school and my student(s)
- Understand and support the goals that the school has set for this school year
- Understand how the Title I budget is being spent this school year
- Express and comments or concerns and know who to contact when I do have questions

WHAT IS TITLE I?

Title I is a federally funded program that ensures that all students have a fair and equitable opportunity to receive a high-quality education and to attain the minimally set proficiency levels of Tier I academic standards on all relevant state academic assessments. The goal of the program is to provide supplemental funds school districts to assist schools with the high student populations of poverty to meet basic school educational goals.

Many of our Title I programs focus on improving academic achievement through a multi-tiered approach of academics, environment, and community (with a focus on family engagement).



We are committed to providing families with meaningful, two-way communication about **Arthur F. Smith's** plan and your child's academic progress throughout the year.

Here are ways we can partner to meet our plan's goals:

- **Communicate with us:** Contact your child's teacher or principal with questions about your child's progress, learning needs, or school events/programs through the school website, school media accounts, etc.
- **Support learning at home:** Parent involvement at middle and high school takes many forms. Whether it's checking homework, talking more about college and career choices, attending Open House or volunteering for PTA and booster clubs, your engagement makes a difference.

By knowing what's happening in the classroom and on campus, you can help your student to focus on coursework and school activities to ensure college and career readiness.



AFS 25-26 SCHOOL GOALS

Domain	Goal(s)	Action Plans Include
ELA	Increase the ELA assessment index from 52.6 to 57.86. (62.6)	Weekly Teacher Collaboration Meetings
Math	Increase the Math assessment index from 35.6 to 39.16. (45.6)	iReady Math and Reading iXL Science and Social Studies
Science	Increase the Science assessment index from 32.9 to 36.19. (42.9)	
Social Studies	Increase the Social Studies assessment index from 30.3 to 33.33. (40.3)	



The Title I Federal Program will assist the school in providing the necessary resources and support for students to reach their goals.

