

# Hellgate High School

## Grade Level:

- Grade 9
- Grade 10
- Grade 11
- Grade 12

## School Year:

2025-2026

## Date:

November 2025

## WHAT IS A SCHOOL COMPACT

A school compact is a written agreement between a school, its families and students. The compact offers ways that we can work together to help our students succeed. This compact provides strategies to help connect learning at school and at home.

We will work together to create strategies to assist our students with meeting their full potential. These strategies become the compact that we all sign as an agreement by all who are involved in your student's education.

## PARENT AND FAMILY ENGAGEMENT

Parents receive monthly communication through newsletters from our administration and staff. Teachers regularly communicate via email and Google Classroom communication. Additional engagement opportunities include:

- Participate in our family engagement events including: Fall BBQ, Open House, 9th & 10th-12th Grade Parent Nights, GOAT Game, Senior Awards Night, Senior Breakfast, Student Awards Night, music concerts, and sporting events.
- Connect with your student's teacher during Open House in the fall and parent nights in spring.
- Parents can join Google Classrooms for regular class work updates.
- Connect with parents and the school through our Parent Teacher Organization (KORT), coffee cart parent shifts, and through the HHS Family Resource Center.
- Join us at the annual Title I Meeting of Practitioners on February 25, 2026, 4:00-5:30 p.m. This is a district level meeting where we discuss best practices in family engagement and academics.

## MCPS DISTRICT GOALS

- From Fall 2024 to Spring 2027, MCPS will raise ELA proficiency rates by 15% across all grade levels, as measured by the EarlyBird assessment for grades K-2 and the Exact-Path assessment for grades 3-11.
- By spring 2027, our district aims to increase math proficiency rates by 15% across all grade levels, as measured by the ReadyMath Diagnostic in grades K-5 and the Exact-Path assessment for grades 6-11.
- For each school year from 2024-27, MCPS aims to maintain class sizes at or below state accreditation standards to ensure educational quality in all settings including special education as measured during the fall and spring student count.



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## Important Dates

November 26-28, Thanksgiving Break  
December 22-January 2, Winter Break  
January 23, End of 1<sup>st</sup> Semester

April 6-10, Spring Break  
June 11, End of 2<sup>nd</sup> Semester

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# TITLE I, PART A TARGETED ASSISTANCE PROGRAM PLAN

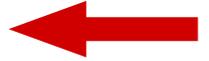
*Elementary and Secondary Education Act, Section 1115*

## NEEDS ASSESSMENT

Hellgate High School sponsors a Targeted Assistance Title I Program. Title I, Part A, is intended to help ensure that all children have the opportunity to obtain a high-quality education and reach proficiency on challenging state academic standards and assessments. Title I funds may be used for a variety of services and activities, most commonly for instruction in reading and mathematics.

Multiple data points were utilized in the Hellgate needs assessment. Each year, Hellgate reviews Exact Path data (twice a year), Infinite Campus reports, and teacher referrals to assess student needs. Teachers at Hellgate provide direct feedback regarding student success through the Academic Intervention Referral (AIR) form. This data is reviewed weekly and utilized to identify students for participation in Title IA.

The term targeted assistance signifies that the services are provided to a select group of children, those who are at most risk of failing and/or dropping out.



## STUDENT IDENTIFICATION CRITERIA

Hellgate identifies eligible students through Academic Intervention Referrals (AIR) which are submitted at each Missing Work Deadline (approximately each quarter). Initial students were identified from 2-3 AIR referrals from April and May of the 2024-25 school year. For the 2025/26 school year, students who received 2-3 AIR referrals will be reviewed by the SAT (Student Assistance Teams) to determine eligibility for Title IA services. Students who are homeless or in foster care are automatically eligible for services.

Once placed in Title IA, students are closely monitored to ensure they are making sufficient progress. Data is reviewed at SAT meetings to ensure appropriate referrals. The student may exit Title IA services when the student receives two consecutive months of less than 2 AIR referrals.



## PROGRAM DESIGN

At Hellgate, curriculum and instruction is data driven and explicit. Curriculum is delivered by multiple strategies utilizing a variety of best practices. Teachers constantly collect and analyze data to inform their practice. Teachers utilize state-adopted standards and execute lessons utilizing learning intentions, success criteria, and common assessments.

Title IA eligible students receive interventions through individual identified plans. These plans can include support during: individual weekly check-ins, during Academic Lab study hall class period, during their Academic Lab (APEX credit recovery or intervention class) period, during multiple study halls and Academic Lab periods, or during multi-period In School Intervention (ISI). During these class periods, students receive tutoring by highly qualified English and Math teachers.



## COORDINATION WITH OTHER PROGRAMS

Include coordination with the school's overall education program:

- Special Education (IDEA)
- English Language Learner Programs
- McKinney-Vento (homeless support)
- AWARE Inc.
- CRYJ
- In-Depth



## PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT

Teachers and paraprofessionals regularly receive professional development on curriculum and instructional strategies that are vital to the success of student achievement. Year-round access to an MCPS instructional coach to receive feedback and support to ensure their practices are effective. MCPS is utilizing Teacher Clarity as an avenue to promote student success and Hellgate staff receive monthly professional development as well as weekly PLC work on Teacher Clarity.



## EVALUATION AND MONITORING

Hellgate will utilize Academic Intervention Referrals (AIR) to monitor student progress. Student grades will also be monitored. Progress monitoring will happen once a month throughout the school year. Hellgate will review and reconsider this criteria if student achievement is not improving. Additional Title IA criteria will be added to support students as needed.

