



SOUTHMORELAND ELEMENTARY SCHOOLS

Southmoreland Primary Center

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Southmoreland Elementary School

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AGENDA FOR SUMMER 2026 SSD LEA TITLE I PARENT MEETING

July 16, 2026 SES Cafeteria 10 AM and Virtual

Welcome and Introductions

- **Time:** 10:00 AM – 10:10 AM
- **Speaker:** Dr. Clara, Assistant to the Superintendent
- **Action:** Greet families and review schoolwide programming and staffing. Explain that because we are a **Schoolwide Title I school**, these federal resources benefit every single child in our building [Parent and Family Engagement | Department of Education](#).
- [2026-27 District Title I Presentation](#)

II. Title I Funding: Staffing and Salaries

- **Time:** 10:10 AM – 10:25 AM
- **Speaker:** Dr. Clara, Assistant to the Superintendent
- **Action:** Share transparently that 100% of our school's Title I allocation is dedicated to funding the **salaries and benefits of our highly qualified schoolwide teachers**. This investment directly reduces class sizes and maximizes direct instruction for your children.

III. Our K-5 Reading Curriculum & High Standards

- **Time:** 10:25 AM – 10:45 AM
- **Speaker:** Dr. Clara, Assistant to the Superintendent
- **Action:** Review our core reading curriculum. Explain how we build explicit foundational skills and comprehension across all grade levels using the [McGraw Hill Open Court Reading](#) series Open Court Reading © 2023 - McGraw Hill.

Review the mandated state benchmarks:

- Access the official guidelines via the [PA Core Standards for ELA PreK-5 \(PDF\)](#) PA Core Standards ELA PreK-5.
- Learn about required explicit instruction mandates on the [PDE Structured Literacy Hub](#) Structured Literacy | Department of Education.

IV. Testing and Measuring Student Progress

- **Time:** 10:45 AM – 10:55 AM
- **Speaker:** Title I Coordinator

**CULTIVATING LIFELONG LEARNERS READY FOR AN
EVER-CHANGING WORLD**

- **Action:** Discuss how we track growth using Open Court benchmark assessments and school-wide screening tools, including [Acadience](#) and [Firefly](#). Detail how the state measures elementary proficiency on the 3rd, 4th, and 5th-grade PSSA exams [Available PDE Assessment Resources: ELA 2025 | Department of Education](#).

V. Parents' Right-to-Know & School Compacts

- **Time:** 10:55 AM – 11:05 AM
- **Speaker:** Dr. Clara, Assistant to the Superintendent
- **Action:** Remind parents of their legal right to request information regarding the professional qualifications of their child's teachers Parent and Family Engagement | Department of Education. Distribute the Title I School-Parent Compact which details how teachers and families partner to support K-5 reading success Title I School Parent and Family Engagement Plan Template II.

VI. Feedback, Q&A, and Adjournment

- **Time:** 11:05 AM – 11:15 AM
- **Action:** Open the floor for parent questions. Collect the Title I Sign-In Sheets and program evaluation [surveys](#) Annual Meeting Sign-in Sheet.