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LCS Title I Information September Newsletter



Dear Parent, Staff, and Community,

Our school has a School-wide Title 1 Program. During our monthly school's School Advisory Council meetings please join us to discuss ideas, programs, and make suggestions to improve our school.

WHAT IS TITLE 1?

Our school gets funds from the federal government for special programs and services under Title 1, Part A of the No Child Left Behind Act of 2001. Title 1 services are for eligible students who need extra academic help, regardless of their economic background. The amount of money we get under Title 1, Part A depends on how many students in our school are from low-income families.

WHAT'S A "SCHOOLWIDE TITLE I PROGRAMS?"

A School-wide Title 1 Program allows us the opportunity to combine Title 1 funds with other federal, state, and local money to upgrade the entire program of our school. This allows us to better meet all of our students' academic needs.

In order to participate in a School-wide Title 1 Program, we are required to have 3 core elements.

- Comprehensive Needs Assessment
- School Improvement Plan
- Annual Evaluation

HOW CAN I MAKE A DIFFERENCE?

Parents, staff, and the larger community have key parts to play in a School-wide Title 1 Program. We invite you to attend a public meeting to hear more about the requirements for a School-wide Title 1 program, as well as, monthly School Advisory Council meetings where you can give ideas and suggestions on the review and revision process of our Title I School Improvement Plan.

If you can't attend the meetings, but would like more information, or if you have any questions or comments, feel free to contact the school's front office for details.

We look forward to seeing you!

Annual Title I / Open House Dates

Elementary School	September 10
Middle School	September 13
High School	September 18

Leon County School Title I Complaint Process

Every effort will be made to resolve any parent complaint at the district or school level before filing a complaint with the Florida Department of Education (FLDOE). The parent grievance procedures include meeting with the principal, central office administrators, and the school board. Once the local complaint process has been completed, if no resolution has been reached, the complaint may be submitted to the FLDOE.

LCS Policy 7.10 Student/Parent/Guardian Grievance and Complaint Procedures

NCLB Complaint Process

Section 9304(a)(3)(C) of the Elementary and Secondary Education Act of 1965 as amended by the No Child Left Behind (NCLB) Act of 2001 (P.L. 107-110) requires states to adopt written procedures for the receipt and resolution of complaints alleging violations of law in the administration of the programs in P.L. 107-110.

Local Level Resolution for NCLB Complaints

Every effort should be made to resolve the complaint at the district or school level before filing a complaint with the Florida Department of Education (FLDOE). Typically, the school board policy will describe the parent grievance procedures. The local policy may require a meeting with the principal, central office administrators, and the school board. Once the local complaint process has been completed, if no resolution has been reached, the complaint may be submitted to the FLDOE.

Complaint Resolution for NCLB

FLDOE will respond to complaints about the requirements of NCLB within 60 days of receipt, unless an extension is needed because of extenuating circumstances. Complainants will be notified, in writing, if an extension will be needed and the reasons for the extension. The written resolution will include:

- A statement of the federal program requirements involved.
- A summary of the information, records, or data reviewed and considered.
- The findings of fact.
- The conclusions for each allegation, including the reasons for the conclusion.
- Any technical assistance, negotiation, or corrective action that must occur and when the action must occur.

The written resolution will be mailed to the complainant and the superintendent of the school district or charter school against whom the allegations were made.