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Title I Overview

What is Title I?

"...is to provide all children significant opportunity to receive a fair, equitable and high-quality education and to close educational achievement gaps."

Title I is a federal program under the Elementary and Secondary Education Act (ESEA) as reauthorized by the No Child Left Behind Act of 2001. The purpose of Title I is to ensure that all children have fair, equal and significant opportunity to obtain a high-quality education and reach, at minimum, proficiency on challenging State academic achievement standards and state academic assessments.

Schoolwide programs address the educational needs of students with comprehensive strategies for improving the whole school so every student achieves high levels of academic proficiencies. The emphasis in schoolwide program schools is on serving all students, improving all structures that support student learning, and combining all resources, as allowed, to meet or exceed State academic standards. A schoolwide program has three core elements: the comprehensive needs assessment; the comprehensive annual plan; and the annual evaluation of the schoolwide program.

The schoolwide reform strategy requires that a school complete the following:

- Create a planning committee;
- Conduct a comprehensive needs assessment;
- Identify and commit to specific goals and strategies that address the identified needs;
- Create a comprehensive plan; and
- Conduct an annual evaluation to measure the effectiveness of the implemented evidence-based interventions and strategies, as outlined in the Annual School Plan (ASP), and revise the plan, as necessary.

The schools that receive Title I services are: Union High School, Burnet Middle School, Jefferson Elementary School and Franklin Elementary School.

The schools that receive Title I SIA services are: Hannah Caldwell Elementary School, Jefferson Elementary School and Franklin Elementary School.

Title I School-Parent Compact

The School-Parent Compact defines the shared responsibility for improving student academic achievement.

District Parent and Family Engagement Policy

The District Parent and Family Engagement Policy is reviewed each year and revised based on parental input.

Schoolwide Parent and Family Engagement Policy

Each school will coordinate an Annual Title I meeting to inform the parents/guardians of the services for the school year. Each Title I school will plan ongoing parent and family engagement activities throughout the school year.

Title I Right to Know

According to Title I requirements, parents/guardians of Title I schools must be notified at the beginning of the school year about their right to request information regarding the professional qualifications of their children's teachers.