

# McGarrah Elementary School

## Annual Title I Parent Meeting

Ms. Jennifer Walsh  
Title I Parent/Community Liaison



# McGarrah...Who are we?

Student Enrollment is 708

- 54.8% African-American
- 23.6% Hispanic
- 12.7% Asian
- 4.2% White
- 3.7% Multiracial
- .5% American Indian

100% Free Student Population

# Title I...

- Is a provision of NCLB to ensure federal support for students who show need for it in critical areas of instruction.
- Is funded by federal government.
- Supports an extension teacher to work with designated students for *extra* support in content areas (math, reading, LA, science, social studies) outside the regular classroom.
- Provides additional support materials for students and families
- Funds the provision of a parent liaison to enable parents to have the greatest possible involvement in their child's education.

# What is Title I?... In A Nutshell

- Title I, Part A provides federal dollars to help supplement educational opportunities for children who live in high poverty areas who are most at risk of failing to meet state's challenging achievement standards.

# How is a Title 1 Budget (PI) Developed?

- Student Achievement Data
  - Comprehensive Needs Assessment
    - Schoolwide or Targeted Assistance Plan
      - **Title I Budget**

# Parental Involvement

ESEA defines parental involvement as the participation of parents in regular, two way, and meaningful communication involving student academic learning and other school activities.

- ↗ Programs, activities, and procedures must be planned and implemented with meaningful consultation with parents of participating children.
- ↗ Title I schools must consult with parents annually to determine how to spend PI funds to enhance the school's educational goals.
- ↗ Parental involvement activities in a SWP/TA should target the particular academic needs of the parents of the lowest achieving students so that they may better assist in the education of their children.

# What should your child be learning?

- **Curriculum from Common Core Georgia Performance Standards**
  - Focus on Mathematics
  - Focus on ELA
- **Georgia Performance Standards**  
[www.georgiastandards.org](http://www.georgiastandards.org)
- **Expectations of Rigor and Success for EVERY Child**

# How do we know your child is learning?

## Student Assessments:

- Benchmark Assessments
- Common Assessments
- Performance Tasks
- mClass Math/DIBELS
- Quizzes
- Georgia Milestones (Grades 3 -5)

# GMAS Results 2015-16

## 3<sup>rd</sup> grade results

Percentage of Students Proficient  
(Levels 3 and 4)

	ELA	Math	Science	S. Studies
School	38	43	37	38
System	20	23	18	17
RESA	39	43	38	33
State	35	40	35	30

# GMAS Results 2015-16

## 4<sup>th</sup> grade results

Percentage of Students Proficient  
(Levels 3 and 4)

	ELA	Math	Science	S. Studies
School	27	25	25	22
System	21	18	16	19
RESA	40	43	36	37
State	35	40	33	34

# GMAS Results 2015-16

## 5<sup>th</sup> grade results

Percentage of Students Proficient  
(Levels 3 and 4)

	ELA	Math	Science	S. Studies
School	31	35	35	17
System	25	21	24	17
RESA	46	42	40	33
State	41	38	39	30

# CCRPI Score

- College and Career Readiness Performance Index
  - **76.2**
- Third Highest Score for Elementary Schools in Clayton County!!!

Sum of Achievement, Progress, Achievement Gap, and Challenge Points

# How does Title I help your child learn?

Funding is used to...

- Purchase additional personnel to assist students (Title I Teacher/Title I Paraprofessional)
- Purchase materials for Work-Out Wednesdays, Saturday tutorials, after school tutorials
- Provide Professional Learning opportunities for teachers
- Increase Parental Involvement Activities (Parent Liaison)
- Purchase equipment such as laptop carts

# Clayton County Public Schools Complaint Resolution Process

(Page 33 in the 2016-2017 Parent/Student Handbook)

- **Parent/Guardian** meets with your child's teacher to share complaint.

## **School Site Issues - 770-473-2700**

**North** - Dr. Keith Colbert, Area Superintendent Ext. 700250

**South** - Dr. Anthony Smith, Area Superintendent Ext. 700255

**Principal** works with parent to resolve Complaint based on Board Policy, Administrative Rule, School Policy, and Education Code

- **Parent/Guardian,**

If your issue has been resolved the process is complete.

- **Parent/Guardian** may appeal to the appropriate District administrator, if not satisfied with proposed resolution.

# Clayton County Public Schools Complaint Resolution Process

## FINAL APPEAL:

Should the parent/staff member appeal the decision of the cabinet-level administrator, the Superintendent will review the case file.

The Superintendent will issue a final decision regarding the appeal, and a meeting will only be scheduled with the parent/guardian at the Superintendent's direction.

1. Using Board Policy, Rules and Georgia Education Code, administrators will assess new information presented during conference with the parent.
2. It is the goal of CCPS to work with parents and staff to resolve all concerns and/or complaints at the school or department site. The District will always refer parents and staff to the principal or director as a first attempt to resolve the issue.
3. A cabinet-level administrator will evaluate the process/legality of the original decision. This is the final meeting with parent.

Step by Step Process to resolve issues and concerns within  
Clayton County Public Schools

Dr. Morcease

# Parents Staying Informed

Parents Right to Know Notifications:

- ✓ Teacher and Paraprofessional Qualifications--letter
- ✓ Non-highly Qualified Teacher--letter
- ✓ School in Reward, Focus, or Alert school status--letter

# Parents Staying Informed

"The Parent Connection"—Newsletter for parents

Parent Involvement Policy—Student Handbook

Family Resource Center--Room 114

Surveys

Parent/Student Compacts

Website: [www.clayton.k12.ga.us](http://www.clayton.k12.ga.us)

# Parents Involvement Opportunities

- Using the Parent Resource Center
- Parental Involvement Team
- Volunteer opportunities
- Parent decision making opportunities/meetings
  - Parent Compacts
  - Title I plan
  - 1% Parent Involvement Budget
- Website: [www.clayton.k12.ga.us](http://www.clayton.k12.ga.us)

# Parents Staying Informed

Please feel free to contact us!

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Mrs. Mekia Henderson, Assistant Principal

Dr. Kena Bush, Counselor

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