



Welcome to the  
Mt. Zion Elementary School  
Annual Title I Meeting  
September 1, 2016 @4:00 PM

# Why are we here?



- The **Elementary and Secondary Education Act** (*ESEA*) requires that each Title I School hold an Annual Meeting of Title I parents for the purpose of...
  - Informing you of MZE's participation in Title I
  - Explaining the requirements of Title I
  - Explaining your rights as parents to be involved

# What you will learn...



- What does it mean to be a Title I school?
- What is the 1% Set-Aside for parental involvement?
- What is the School Parental Involvement Policy?
- What is the School-wide Title I Plan?
- What is the School-Parent Compact?
- How do I request the qualifications of my child's teacher(s)?
- How will we use our Title I funds for Instruction, Professional Development and Parental Involvement?

# What you will learn...

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- How will I be notified if my child is taught by a teacher who is not Highly Qualified?
- How is the Annual Evaluation of the Parental Involvement Plan conducted?
- How can I be involved in all of these things I'm learning about?

# What does it mean to be a Title I School?



- Being a Title I school means receiving federal funding (Title I dollars) to supplement the school's existing programs. These dollars are used for...
  - Identifying students experiencing academic difficulties and providing timely assistance to help these student's meet the State's challenging content standards.
  - Purchasing supplemental staff/programs/materials/supplies
  - Conducting parental Involvement meetings/trainings/activities
  - Recruiting/Hiring/Retaining Highly Qualified Teachers
- Being a Title I school also means parental involvement and parents' rights.

# What is the 1% set-aside and how are parents involved?



- Any LEA with a Title I Allocation exceeding \$500,000 is required by law to set aside 1% of its Title I allocation for parental involvement.
- Of that 1%, 5% may be reserved at the LEA for system-wide initiatives related to parental involvement. The remaining 95% must be allocated to all Title I schools in the LEA. Therefore each Title I school receives its portion of the 95% to implement school-level parental involvement.
- You, as Title I parents, have the right to be involved in how this money is spent, through surveys and meetings.
- **Please complete a survey today, to provide input on how this money is spent.**

# What is the Parental Involvement Policy?



- This plan addresses how the school will implement the parental involvement requirements of the *ESEA*. It includes...
  - The school's expectations for parents (*Parent/Student/ School Compacts*)
  - How the school will involve parents in decision-making
  - How the school will work to build the schools' and parents' capacity for strong parental involvement to improve student academic achievement
- You, as Title I parents, have the right to be involved in the development of this policy.

# Use of Title I Funds for Instruction



- Differentiated Instruction
- Title I Parent Liaison, Title I paraprofessional
- School-wide Instructional Facilitator
- Technology
- Additional support tutorials



# Use of Title I Funds for Professional Development



- Materials for Staff Development
- Professional Development (Faculty and Staff)
- Outside Consultants
- Substitute Teachers

# What is a School-wide Title I Plan?



- The School-wide Title I Plan and includes:
  - A Needs Assessment and Summary of Data
  - Goals and Strategies to Address Academic Needs of Students based on core curriculum standards
  - Professional Development Needs
  - Coordination of Resources/Comprehensive Budget
  - The School's Parental Involvement Plan
- You, as Title I parents, have the right to be involved in the development of this plan.

# What's included in the school's Parental Involvement Policy?



- This plan addresses how the school will implement the parental involvement requirements of the *ESEA*. Components include...
  - How parents can be involved in decision-making and activities
  - How parental involvement funds are being used
  - How information and training will be provided to parents
  - How the school will build capacity in parents and staff for strong parental involvement
- You, as Title I parents, have the right to be involved in the development of your school's Parental Involvement Policy.

# What is the School-Parent Compact?



- The compact is a commitment from the school, the parent, and the student to share in the responsibility for improved academic achievement
- You, as Title I Parents, have the right to be involved in the development of the School-Parent Compact.
- Information will be available online as well as paper form.
- The MZE School Compact meeting will be held on 8/31/15, 9/3/15 and 9/8/15 here at MZE parent resource room. Ms. Hope will provide times for each session.

# How do I request the qualifications of my child's teachers?



- You, as Title I Parents, have the right to request the qualifications of your child's teachers
- How you are notified of this right and the process for making such request.
- Request paperwork from students.

# Use of Funds for Parental Involvement



- Parent Meetings & Workshops
- Parent Resource Center Materials
- Parent Liaison
- Parental Involvement Materials, Supplies, and Printing
- Teacher facilitated Parental Involvement Workshops (after hours)
- Registration Fees for Parental Involvement Conferences and Workshops.

# How will I be notified if my child is taught by a teacher who is not Highly Qualified?



- Our school's present status of Highly Qualified Teachers
- Notification to parents regarding teachers not meeting NCLB's requirements for Highly Qualified
- How parents are notified

# How is the evaluation of the District and School's Parental Involvement Plan Conducted?



- Evaluation Requirements
  - Conduct annually
  - Conduct with Title I parents
  - Analyze Content and Effectiveness of the current plan
  - Identify Barriers to parental involvement
  - Data/Input may include...
    - Parent Survey (Required)
    - Focus Groups
    - Parent Advisory Committees
    - Title I Program- exit Survey
    - Etc.
- Process and Timeline
- How the evaluation informs next year's plan



# Flexible Learning Program



- In November, 2011, the Georgia Department of Education (GaDOE) submitted to the United States Department of Education (US ED) requesting flexibility through waivers of the ten ESEA requirements and their associated , regulatory, administrative and reporting requirements.
- Two of the ten requested waivers directly affected SES and Choice.
- The FLP will be held twice weekly after school for 90 minutes.
- Students will receive instruction in Math using Math Navigator Common Core Edition.

# Flexible Learning Program



- Parents of eligible students will receive an application in the mail. Parents will turn the forms into the district or school principal.
- The FLP will be offered at all Focus and Alert schools.
- CSE will present a meeting again in September to help parents understand the full program.
- CSE will involve parents and students with notifications
- Transportation will be provided for FLP students.
- Services should begin for most students in late September.
- ***MZE is a non-designated school***

# Who are some of the parent leaders at MZE?



- Rochelle Harris **Principal**
- Wendell Span **Assistant Principal**
- Lenise Hope **Title I Parent Liaison**



# Questions?

**Please feel free to contact us:**

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