Welcome to the Title I Annual Meeting for Parents & Families 2022 - 2023



Tuckaseegee Elementary School
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Why are we here?

The Elementary and Secondary Education Act (ESEA), as amended by the Every Student Succeeds Act (ESSA) of 2015, requires that each Title I School hold an Annual Meeting for parents/families/community members for the purpose of:

- Informing you of your school's participation in Title I services
- Explaining the requirements of Title I, Part A
- Explaining your rights as parents to be engaged

Meeting Overview

- What is a Title I school and what it means to be a Title I school
- Required Set-Aside for parent and family engagement
- The CMS Parent and Family Engagement Policy
- How the annual evaluation of the CMS Parent and Family Engagement Policy is conducted
- School Parent and Family Engagement Policy
- School Improvement Plan (SIP) in NCStar
- School-Parent Compact
- How to request the qualifications of my child's teacher(s)
- How parents will be notified if my child is taught by a teacher who is not deemed to be qualified by teacher licensing standards in the North Carolina ESSA Accountability Plan

What is a Title I school?

Title I is the largest federally funded educational program. A Title I school is a school receiving federal funds for students. The basic principle of Title I is that schools with large concentrations of low-income students receive supplemental funds to meet students' educational goals.

What does it mean to be a Title I School?

- Being a Title I school means receiving federal funding (Title I dollars) to <u>supplement</u> the school's existing programs. These dollars are used for the following:
 - Identifying students experiencing academic difficulties and providing timely assistance to help students meet the state's challenging content standards.
 - Purchasing supplemental staff/programs/materials/supplies
 - Conducting parent and family engagement meetings/trainings/activities
 - Recruiting/Hiring/Retaining Highly-Qualified Teachers
- Being a Title I school also means encouraging ongoing parent and family engagement and advocating for parents' rights

How are Title I funds used in our school?

- Parent Advocate
- Instructional Leaders
- Behavior Modification Technician (BMT)
- Parent Involvement Activities
- Professional Development for staff
- Substitutes for staff professional development
- Tutoring services
- Supplies and materials

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

Any Local Education Agency (LEA) or school district with a Title I
 Allocation exceeding \$500,000 is required by law to set aside 1% of
 the Title I allocation for parent and family engagement.

 Of that 1%, 10% may be reserved at the LEA/district level for system-wide initiatives related to parent and family engagement. The remaining 90% must be allocated to all Title I schools in the district. In CMS, each Title I school receives its portion of the 90% to implement school-level parent and family engagement activities and events

 Title I parents have the right to provide input into decisions regarding how this money is spent. This process is completed through the School Improvement Team (SIT)

What is the CMS Parent and Family Engagement Policy?

- This policy addresses how the district or LEA will implement the parent and family engagement requirements of the *Every Student Succeeds Act (ESSA)*. It includes the following:
 - The district's expectations for parents
 - How CMS will engage parents in decision-making
 - How the district will work to build the schools' and parents' capacities in the implementation of effective parent and family engagement activities to improve student academic achievement
- Parents and families in Title I schools have the right to be engaged in the review/evaluation of this annual policy

What is the School Improvement Plan/NCStar Plan?

- The School Improvement Plan (SIP) is created in an online platform called NCStar and includes:
 - A Comprehensive Needs Assessment
 - Goals and Strategies to Address Academic Needs of Students
 - Professional Development Needs
 - Coordination of Resources and Comprehensive Budget
 - The School's Parent and Family Engagement Goals
- Parents of students at Title I schools have the right to be engaged in the development of this plan
- Access the SIP on our website: https://schools.cms.k12.nc.us/montclaireES/Pages/Default.aspx
 - User Name: guests7107
 - o Password: guests7107

SIP Meeting September 28 at the school in Media Center at 5p.

What is included in the School's Parent and Family Engagement Policy?

- This policy addresses how the school will implement the parent and family engagement requirements of the Every Student Succeeds Act (ESSA). Components include the following:
 - How parents can be engaged in decision-making and activities
 - How parent and family engagement 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 parent and family engagement
- Parents of students at Title I schools have the right to be engaged in the development of the school's Parent and Family Engagement Policy

What is the School Compact?

 The compact is a commitment from the school, the parent/family, and the student, to share in the responsibility for improved academic achievement

 Parents and families of students in Title I schools have the right to be involved in the revision/review of the School Compact

Who are the parent leaders at my school?

Monique Cromwell, PTA President Katrina Strong, PTA Vice President

PTA Membership is \$10 (membership alone) \$15 (membership and shirt) pay through PTA website.

Tuckaseegeepantherspta@gmail.com

Facebook: Tuckaseegee PTA

School's Title I Compliance Contact: Dr. Bowles,

Dean of Students

How can I volunteer to assist my student with school needs?

- Join or attend the School Improvement Team/School Leadership Team
- Volunteer to contact other parents/families regarding important school information:
 - Ex. 100% Compact completion
 - Events occurring at your child's school
 - Opportunities to participate in/support school activities
- Please call Jessica Vega or email jessica.vega@cms.k12.nc.us to learn about volunteer opportunities

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

- Title I parents and families have the right to request the qualifications of their child's teachers
- How are you notified of this right and what is the process for making a request?
 - You can request it from Dr. Bowles
 - Request should be completed within 30 days.

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

- Being Highly Qualified in NC means you have successfully passed the licensure exams required or received alternate licensure in a way set out by NC law.
- Parents and families are notified if teachers do not meet ESSA's requirements for Highly-Qualified
- Parents may request information on teacher qualifications in writing

Complaint Procedures

- Contact the classroom teacher first
- Schedule and attend parent -teacher conference
- Email or call grade level administrator:
 - o K-2 Dr. Bowles
 - 3-5 Mrs. Dudley
 - Tuckaseegee Family handbook

Proud Points

- Tuckaseegee Elementary school consistently builds a culture of caring, support, and focus on academic growth.
- Tuckaseegee Elementary produces GROWTH! We moved from a D to a C school. Its UP from here!!
- Our school has strong community partnerships with community and faith-based organizations who provide support for our students and staff!

Thank you for being here!

Questions?

Email Dr. Bowles vernessam.bowles@cms.k12.nc. us or call her at school 980-343-6055