

# Title I Parent & Family Engagement Plan

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## TITLE I SCHOOLWIDE PROJECTS

Title I is the largest program of federal funding in education signed into law in 1965 by President Lyndon Johnson. President Johnson recognized the extremely difficult problem that children throughout the country were having with their reading and mathematics. In an effort to enhance student achievement, extra resources, materials and teachers are provided by the Elementary and Secondary Education Act, Title 1 (ESEA). On December 2015, President Obama signed into law the **"Every Student Succeeds Act"**.

The Title I law requires the meaningful engagement of parents in school level planning, development and design of initiatives to improve student achievement supported by Title I funds.

Our school's **Title I Parent & Family Engagement Plan** was developed following our review of the results from school surveys. The surveys are completed each spring by parents, staff, and students to provide an opportunity for them to share their opinions.

## TITLE I Parent & Family Engagement

The Title I program for parents is designed to 1) Inform parents about Title I regulations and resources, 2) involve parents in local Title I decisions, 3) provide meeting and training opportunities, and 4) encourage active participation of parents in their children's schools and education.

As a Title I school, Sgt. Smith School is required to:

- hold an annual meeting to inform parents of the school's participation in the Title I program, their rights to be involved in the school, and the requirements of Title I,
- develop jointly with parents, a written parent & family engagement policy,
- develop jointly with parents, a school-parent compact. The compact must state how parents, the school staff and students will share in the responsibility for improved student achievement and be discussed during a parent/teacher conference,
- provide staff training on parent engagement,
- provide training and materials to help parents work with their children
- provide (upon request) opportunities for regular meetings to allow parents to participate (as appropriate) in decisions about their child's education and respond to suggestions,
- offer flexible meeting times. Ensure that information sent to parents is in a format and language, to the extent practicable, that parents can understand,
- coordinate with programs and other agencies.
- each Title I school utilizes a percentage of its Title I allocation to support a comprehensive parent & family engagement program.

The Title I Program funds at Sgt. Paul Smith Middle School are used to enhance the district's instructional program by:

- *Highly qualified staff*  
Math Coach Student Success Coach
- *Support parent and community involvement efforts,*  
Parent Information Nights, Conference Nights, Hispanic Heritage Night, Title 1 Nights
- *Improve staff development,*  
Learning Walks, Demonstration Classrooms, Parent Involvement to Increase Student Achievement Full Day Staff Development for each department
- *Purchase additional instructional materials and supplies,*  
Technology for classroom Educational Software
- *Add technology and needed equipment,*  
Ink/Toner, Copy Paper, Admission and Transportation for Academic Field Trips, Composition Notebooks (Language Arts), Whiteboards (Math), Headphones (All classrooms), Substitute Teachers for Professional Development and Planning Time

We would love to hear your comments about the plan! Please fill in the following information and return to Sgt. Smith Middle School

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Student Name: \_\_\_\_\_  
Comments: \_\_\_\_\_  
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