



Montgomery Township School District

Title I Parent/Guardian Meeting

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What is Title I?

- Title I, Part A of the Elementary and Secondary Education Act (ESEA), as amended by the Every Student Succeeds Act (ESSA) is a federal entitlement program that provides financial assistance to schools.
- Title I is the largest federal aid program for public schools in the United States.
- The US Department of Education distributes Title I funds to State Departments of Education that then distribute the funds to individual school districts.
- The funds for each school district are based on a State formula that is calculated by the number of students from economically-disadvantaged homes.



Types of Title I School Programs

- There are two types of Title I program models:
 - 1) School-Wide
 - 2) Targeted Assistance
- Both of these types of Title I program models require schools to use research-based strategies to improve student achievement as well as incorporate strategies to support/encourage parent involvement.
- All five schools in the Montgomery Township School District are Targeted Assistance Programs.



Montgomery Township Targeted Assistance Programs

- As Targeted Assistance schools, OHES, VES, LMS, UMS and MHS receive Title I funds that are solely dedicated to a select group of students.
- The students in our Title I Programs were identified based on last year's academic performance as well as teacher recommendations and performance on statewide assessments.



Goals

Goal #1

Provide supplemental instruction that will contribute to students becoming more confident in the classroom as well as improve academically in the areas that have been identified as areas of focus.

Goal #2

To form school-home partnerships that will help all children succeed.



Parent Involvement

Parent involvement is critical to student success and student achievement. Parents can positively impact their child's school success by being positively involved in their child's school experience in the following ways: (Marzano, 2003)

- Keep the lines of communication open
- Participate in the day to day running of the school such as working as a teacher assistant, guest reader or lecturer, or as a volunteer
- Get actively involved in the governance of your child's school and have a voice.



Notice

- In accordance with recent federal legislation, the No Child Left Behind Act (NCLB), school districts that receive Title 1 federal funds are required to notify parents of their right to request information regarding the professional qualifications for their child's teacher including degrees and certifications held and whether the teacher is certified in the area he/she is teaching.
- If you wish for more information regarding your child's educators, please contact the District Coordinator, Damian Pappa.

What the High School program looks like:

- Meets every Tuesday, Wednesday, and Thursday after school for an hour. Tentatively 2:45-3:45
- Attendance every day is not mandatory. However, students are encouraged to attend at least once a week in order to take advantage of the extra support and see academic improvement.
- Students will have to take a pre assessment in September and post assessment in June to measure growth.
- We will be utilizing an online platform, Achieve3000, to track growth and provide extra practice in both Math and ELA.

Teacher and Guidance Counselors in the program

- 6 Teachers total in the program. 2-3 will be available per day
 - Mrs. Jenna Lugo- Mathematics
 - Ms. Kristiana Colandrea- Mathematics
 - Mrs. Lisa Chedid- Science
 - Mrs. Debra O'Reilly- English Language Arts
 - Mr. Christian Lugo- Social Studies
 - Mr. Paul Stemmler- Social Studies
- 2 School Counselors- 1 of which will be available every day.
 - Mrs. Kelly Apel
 - Mrs. Maureen Conway



We thank you in advance for all of your help and assistance in working together with your child to help them succeed in school.