



## Your Rights

Under the law, parents and families must:

- Be included in Title I budget decision-making and the development of a parent and family engagement policy that is distributed to all parents, to the local community and announced at an annual meeting.
- Be involved in the planning and implementation of parent and family engagement programs.
- Receive materials and training for parents and staff to foster greater family engagement.
- Have the opportunity to jointly develop, with school staff, a school home compact that outlines how parents, the entire school staff, and students will share the responsibility for improved student academic achievement.



For more information visit:

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## Title I Parent & Family Information



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# TITLE I

## What is Title I, Part A?

Title I is the largest federal aid program for elementary, middle and high schools. Through Title I, financial assistance is given to states and school districts to meet the needs of economically disadvantaged students and to help students who are behind academically or at risk of falling behind.

Title I began with the passage of the Elementary and Secondary Education Act (ESEA). ESEA was later amended by the every Student Succeeds Act (ESSA) of 2015 and continues to provide federal funding to high poverty schools. Services funded by Title I can include: hiring teachers, paraprofessionals, tutoring, purchase of instructional equipment, materials, and supplies, parent and family engagement activities, professional development, and pre-kindergarten programs.

## How are Title I funds used in McDowell County Schools?

- Small Group Instruction
- Extended Learning
- Instructional Support Materials and Supplies
- Additional Teachers and Support Staff for Instruction
- Parent and Family Engagement Programs
- Professional Development



## How can I get Involved?

Studies have shown that children are more successful when parents and families are involved in their education.

- **Make sure your child attends school every day on time and that your child completes his or her homework daily.**
- **Attend parent-teacher conferences, PTO/PTA meetings and family events whenever possible in order to help your child learn.**
- **Make sure your child reads for 20 - 30 minutes every day. Your child can read aloud, be read to, or read to him or herself.**
- **Contact teachers or staff when you are concerned or have questions about your child.**
- **Check your child's backpack daily for home/school communication.**
- **Limit your child's TV and video game time and make sure your child is well rested.**
- **Volunteer in your child's school when possible.**