#### Welcome to the Title I Annual Meeting for **Parents & Families** 2023 - 2024 CMS **Charlotte-Mecklenburg Schools**

## 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

#### Parent and Family Engagement Allocation

- 1% of our Title 1 allotment is set aside for Parent and Family Engagement
- Math Night
- Cultural Night
- ESL Night
- Established Partnership with SHRM Co
- Hiring of Family Advocate position
- Mind, Body, and Soul Saturdays

#### 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:
  - <u>User Name</u>: guestS7083
  - <u>Password</u>: guestS7083

# 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

# 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 980-343-5284 or email <u>sharenam.brown@cms.k12.nc.us</u> to- learn about volunteer opportunities

# How are Title I funds used in our school?

- Teacher Assistant
- Parent Involvement
- Professional Development for staff
- Substitutes for staff professional development
- Tutoring services (HEART)
- Supplies and materials (books, technology)
- Math 1 Night
- ESL Night
- Math Day and Breakout
- FAFSA Night
- Cultural Night
- Nearpod Pro Access and Professional Development
- Kahoot Plus
- USA Test Prep
- Extended Day Funds

# 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 by completing the form on our website
  - 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**

• Add the protocol your school would like parents to follow when they have a concern or problem

### Thank you for being here!

 Questions? Email <u>kennethw.breland@cms.k12.nc.us</u> or call him at school 980-343-5284