Welcome to the Title I Annual Meeting for Parents & Families 2023 - 2024

Charlotte-Mecklenburg Schools

Central Piedmont Early College

Welcome Introductions

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 supplement 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?

- Teacher Assistant
- Parent Involvement
- Professional Development for staff
- Substitutes for staff professional development
- Tutoring services
- Supplies and materials (books, technology)

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)

Parent and Family Engagement Allocation

- Curriculum Nights
- Achieve Nights
- Cultural Programs
- College Planning

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: <u>https://www.cmsk12.org/domain/856</u>
 - Username: Guests20896
 - Password: Guests20896

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?

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<u>Interpreter</u>: N/A <u>School's Title I Compliance Contact</u>: Ashley Barrow, Facilitator

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

- Join or attend the School Improvement 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 980-343-0098 or email <u>cassie.sharpe@cms.k12.nc.us</u> 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 our school's 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

- Contact the responsible teacher or staff member directly
- Email the Senior Administrative Secretary at <u>cassie.sharpe@cms.k12.nc.us</u> and the complaint will be directed to the appropriate party



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North Carolina Standard Course of Study

- The full North Carolina Standard Course of Study (NCSCOS) can be viewed using the link below: <u>http://www.dpi.state.nc.us/curriculum/</u>
- For more information about the NCSCOS and professional development at your school site, <u>ashley.barrow@cms.k12.nc.us</u>



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Some Schools Have an Additional Designation

NCDPI will notify schools as to whether they have a special designation of ATSI or CSI in November, 2023. Skip this slide and the next two until notification from NCDPI.

- The Every School Succeeds Act (ESSA) requires each state to have a plan to measure student achievement annually
- The plan outlines how each state is being held accountable
- Title I schools can receive an additional designation based upon state End-of-Grade or End-of-Course assessments

Link to the North Carolina State Plan under ESSA:

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Additional School Designations

- Additional Targeted Support and Improvement (ATSI)
- Comprehensive Support and Improvement (CSI)
- Schools with these designations remain in this status for 3 years
- Our school (is) designated as a

school in the subgroup of _____.



Additional Targeted Support and Improvement (ATSI)

- North Carolina's Every Student Succeeds Act (ESSA) State Plan identifies schools for targeted support and improvement when schools have student subgroups that are underperforming
- Our school has this designation
- We have a comprehensive plan of professional development for staff



Proud Points

- Central Piedmont Early College High School consistently builds a culture of caring, support, and focus on academic growth.
- Students who have had academic and social difficulties in other environments are thriving at CPEC.
- Central Piedmont Early College's PTSO has been instrumental in the support of our students and staff!
- CPEC has a high level of parent engagement that contributes to the climate and culture of our school.



Thank you for being here!

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 Questions? Email <u>Ashley Barrow</u> or call her at school (980) 343-0098



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