



Welcome to the  
Title I Annual Meeting for Parents &  
Families

2023 - 2024



Oakhurst STEAM Academy



# 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

# 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 (HEART)*
- *Supplies and materials (books, technology)*
- *Musical supplies*
- *Behavior Modification Technician*
- *Teacher Leader Pathway*

# School Designations

- Additional Targeted Support and Improvement (ATSI)
- Schools with these designations remain in this status for 3 years
  
- Low performing
- Our school (is) designated as a TSI school in the subgroup of EC (Exceptional Children).

# 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



# 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 Ms. Smith
  - Request should be completed within 30 days.

# 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

# How can I assist my student with school needs?

- Join or attend the School Improvement Team
- Attendance- Have your child in school on time
- Parent Square
- PTA
- Events occurring at your child's school
- Parent Teacher Conferences



# Parent Concerns Procedures

- Contact the teacher/staff member
- Contact the grade level administrator

# Thank you for being here!

- Questions?

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