# Welcome to the Title I Annual Meeting for Parents & Families 2021 - 2022



#### 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

### How are Title I funds used in our school?

- Interpreter/translator
- Parent Involvement
- Professional Development for staff
- Tutoring services (HEART)
- 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 Leadership Team (SLT)

#### Parent and Family Engagement Allocation



#### Required PD Documentation:

- 1. Maintain sign-in sheets, agendas, handouts, and notes
- Provide renewal credit (when appropriate)
- 3. Teacher feedback on PD (surveys; questionnaires, etc.)
- 4. Documentation that shows information learned is being implemented correctly
- 5. Documentation that shows PD is impacting student achievement
- 6. Analyze effectiveness & decide the next steps to improve student achievement.

#### Title I Professional Development Allocation: \$5,000

Ongoing Professional  Development  Conferences, workshops, in-service, mentoring, planning, courses	PARTICIPANTS	Why needed? The to needs assessment & Goal/strategy from NCStar Plan pg. # & if applicable-How will this belp remove from improvement?	Funding Sources State or local Prof. Dev. Money, Title I, grants	Cost	Timeline When & Effectiveness Check-points	Point Person	Evaluation/Follow-u  p  State specifies ex: # 4 lesson plans, observation, work sample  #5 Progress Monitoring results in ORF, AR diagnostic Reports, tests, EOGs
1.Planning Days	8th grade Math Title I Compliance 6th grade ELA EC	These days will provide teachers more time to address CMS Indicator 2.04, 4.01	Title I	3,000	September February	Savage	Lesson plans Pre-work Work samples Re-looping plans
2 Book Study	All certified staff	These books will assist in addressing 4.06, E1.03	Title I	500	Scptember -January	Savage	Survey
3. Technology workshops	All certified staff	These days will provide teachers more time to address CMS Indicator 2.04, 4.01	Title I	750	August-May	Sherrod-Hill	Lesson plans EOG data Survey

### 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

### 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?

If you would like to join the PTA please sign up after the meeting in the hallway.

### 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

# 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?

### How will I be notified if my child is taught by a teacher who is not Highly-Qualified?

- Explain what it means to be a Highly Qualified teacher according to the state
- Our school's present status of Highly-Qualified Teachers
- 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**

- CMS has an Office of the Ombudsman
- The Office of the Ombudsman has a complaint procedure
- The complaint procedure can be found on the CMS website www.cms.k12.nc.us (search Ombudsman)

#### North Carolina Standard Course of Study

- The full North Carolina Standard Course of Study (NCSCOS) can be viewed using the link below: <a href="http://www.dpi.state.nc.us/curriculum/">http://www.dpi.state.nc.us/curriculum/</a>
- For more information about the NCSCOS and professional development at your school site, and we will also curriculum night each quarter.

## Some Schools Have an Additional Designation

- 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:

http://www.ncpublicschools.org/succeeds/

#### **Additional School Designations**

- Targeted Support and Improvement (TSI)
- Comprehensive Support and Improvement (CSI)
- Schools with these designations remain in this status for 3 years

 Our school (is) designated as a TSI school or does not have an additional designation

#### Targeted Support and Improvement

- 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 does have this designation
- Explain: We are working to address the learning needs of all students

#### Title I Distinguished Schools

- Each year, 2 North Carolina schools are recognized at the national level. Selected winning North Carolina Title I Distinguished Schools are recognized in one of two categories.
- Schools in the Sustained High-Performance Category are recognized for showing a high (at least 80 percent) level of student proficiency in reading and mathematics for the most recent two years.
- Schools in the Sustained High Growth Category are recognized for making significant progress in closing the achievement gap between student groups.

#### **Proud Points**

- Exceeded Growth 18-19 school year
- We are a level C school
- Continuing working with Verizon this year

#### Thank you for being here!

- We appreciate you!
- Questions?