

Policy Number:

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Title:

Title I Programming

It is the intent of the District to help all students reach their potential and meet the District's educational goals. In an effort to help students who need support in meeting high academic standards, the School Board shall participate in the federal Title I program and abide by all legal requirements for participation in such program.

Comparability

As required by federal law, the District has established and is implementing a District-wide salary schedule and shall ensure that services provided through Title I funds are at least comparable to the services provided in program areas not receiving Title I funds. The District shall ensure equivalency among grade levels in teachers, administrators, support personnel, curriculum materials and instructional supplies. Unpredictable changes in enrollment or personnel assignments that occur after the beginning of the school year need not be included as a factor in determining comparability of services. Documentation verifying compliance with this policy shall be updated annually and be available for review by the Department of Public Instruction or auditors upon request.

Parent Involvement

The Board recognizes the importance of parent involvement in their children's education. Therefore, the District shall provide appropriate opportunities for parents and guardians to become involved in the design and implementation of District Title I program activities and in improving the academic achievement and school performance of their children. Specifically, the District shall provide for parent involvement through the following:

- Participation on District advisory committees.
- Special activities such as parent listening sessions in the community and school open houses.
- Regular, meaningful two-way communication between parents and guardians and the school regarding learning standards and student achievement through school-parent compacts, report cards, conferences, meetings, telephone contacts, notes and other appropriate means.

Parents and guardians of students participating in Title I program services shall be informed annually of this policy and of the opportunities available for them to get involved in their child's educational program and in improving student achievement.

LEG REF: Chapter I of the Education Consolidation and Improvement Act of 1981, Elementary and Secondary School Improvement Amendments of 1988, Improving America's School Act of 1994, No Child Left Behind Act of 2001

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