

Lake Preston Title I Program

Elementary Parent Involvement Policy

The Title I Program is a federally funded program to assist eligible students in the areas of reading and math. If your child is experiencing difficulty in either of these areas, you are encouraged to visit with your child's classroom teacher or the Title I teacher.

The Title I Program will operate under the following guidelines:

1. There will be benchmarking of students 3x per year.
2. There will be regular communication with parents/guardians.
3. Parental/guardian permission will be received before a child will be pulled for one on one supplemental instruction.
4. Timely communication and information regarding the student's progress will be provided to the parents/guardians.
5. An annual evaluation of the Title I Program will be conducted through the Title I Parent/Guardian Survey, discussion at the annual meeting and classroom teacher comments at the end of the year.

Title I Parent/Guardian Involvement Policy

We at the Lake Preston Elementary School, recognize the importance of sharing the responsibilities for successful school achievement with the parents/guardians of our students. This policy will aid in the effective involvement and partnership of school, parents/guardians and the community to improve student achievements.

Policy Involvement

The Lake Preston Elementary School under this part:

1. Shall inform parents/guardians with the purpose of the Title I Program.
Title I is a federally funded program provided at the Lake Preston Elementary level, to help students become proficient or advanced in Reading and/or Math. The Title I Program has hired an instructor and a Para-Professional to provide supplemental instruction to students.
2. Shall convene an annual meeting that will be scheduled in the spring of the year.
This will be scheduled during the spring of the year in the Lake Preston School Library after school. We will be flexible with this meeting time and will take into consideration parents/guardians schedules.
Written notification of this meeting will be sent in the school newsletter in advance of the meeting date and will include date, time and place of the meeting. The elementary school secretary will post the annual meeting notification in the daily announcements, and email all parents/guardians one week before the meeting is scheduled to be held.
3. Offer a flexible number of meetings, such as meetings in the morning or evening, and may provide childcare through the afterschool program.
Upon suggestions from the annual meeting and completed Title I Parent/Guardian Surveys, the school can see if it is necessary to offer alternate meeting times to better meet the needs of the involved parents/guardians. In an effort to communicate and inform all parents/guardians, we will be flexible in our meeting times and dates.
4. Shall involve parents/guardians, in an organized, ongoing, and timely way, in the planning, review, and improvement of programs under this part, including planning, review, and improvement of the school parent/guardian involvement policy.

Lake Preston Elementary parents/guardians will be given an opportunity to evaluate the Parent/Guardian Involvement Policy and the Title I Program by completing a survey near the end of the school year.

The result of the Title I Parent/Guardian Surveys and suggestions made by parents/guardians will be considered when revising the Parent/Guardian Involvement Policy, the School/Parent Compact, and when making improvements to the Title I Program.

The Lake Preston Elementary School will have a parent/guardian advisory committee made up of parents, the Title I Instructor, and an administrator. This group will work to promote parent/guardian involvement and will also assist with revisions to the Parent/Guardian Involvement Policy and the School-Parent Compact as necessary.

5. Parents/Guardians will receive state test results in a timely manner.

Lake Preston Elementary School parents/guardians who have children in grades 3-5 will receive the results of their child's State assessment in the fall of the year. The tests scores will be mailed home accompanied by a letter explain what the scores depict and letting parents/guardians know who they can contact if they have questions.

6. Shall establish the methods and supplemental material used i n the Title I Program.

The parents/guardians of Title I students will be invited to the Title I room on "Open House Night" and will be able to view the materials used in the program.

Our curriculum correlates to the Common Core Standards. Currently Lake Preston Elementary School uses the Journeys reading series. Title I uses game play, flash cards, and story problems for basic math skill help. Title also utilizes NWEA Mapping within the elementary school.

7. Shall Evaluate Title I Students.

DIBELS , Star Reading and Math, and DRA tests will be given in the fall, winter, and in the spring with the results being shared with classroom teachers, and sent to the parents/guardians with the report cards at the end of the school year.

The Title I instructor will be available at the regular scheduled Parent/Guardian/Teacher conferences and will communicate as necessary through newsletters, emails, and phone calls

Pamphlets and/or other materials are given to parent/guardians as the fall Parent/Guardian/Teacher conferences, and throughout the year in the school's newsletter giving suggestions to parent/guardians on working with their child.

8. If the Title I Program is not satisfactory to the parents/guardians of Lake Preston Elementary students, the school may submit parents/guardians comments on the Consolidated Title Plan.

We will involve parents/guardians in an annual survey to improve the Title I Program.

9. Establish a comfortable working relations and encourage parent/guardian visits and volunteer opportunities.

This will help maintain communication and knowledge as to what is occurring in the Title I Program. This open communication will reassure parent/guardians and involve them more directly in the happening of the school.