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Parental Involvement

Requirements for Title I, Part A Schools Guidance and Compliance Information

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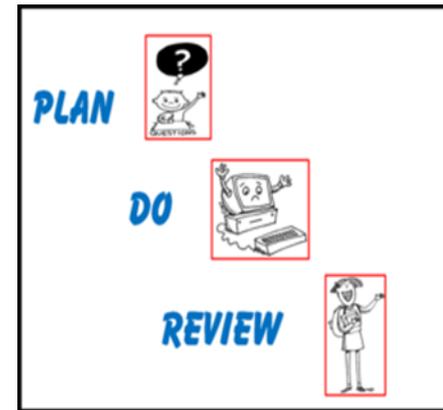




The School Plan

You must develop a school Parental Involvement Plan. At the beginning of each school year, that plan must be updated by your school's Parental Involvement Committee and submitted to district personnel for review.

- It is recommended that your Parental Involvement Committee be made up of 6-8 member with $\frac{1}{2}$ being non-employee parents. Your plan must describe how the school will carry out the Parental Involvement requirements under Section 1118 of the Elementary and Secondary Education Act (ESEA).





Funding for Activities

- If your district receives \$500,000 or more Title I funding, 1% must be set aside for Parental Involvement activities and 95% of that 1% must be distributed to the Title I, Part A Schools to support their parental involvement activities.





Spending the Funds

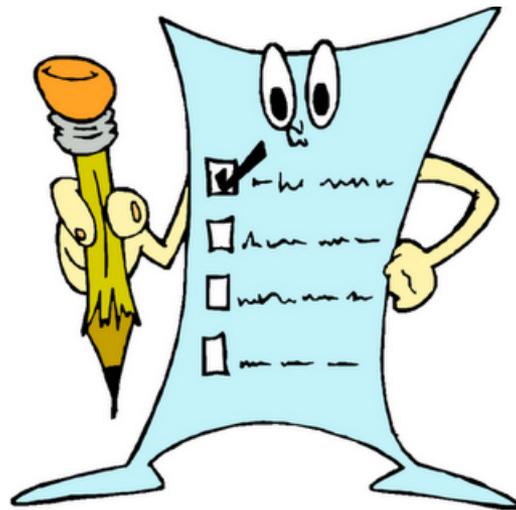
- Parents of students receiving Title I services must share in making the decisions about how the funds will be spent. Documentation of this must be retained in the school's Parental Involvement documentation files.





Parent Activity Topics

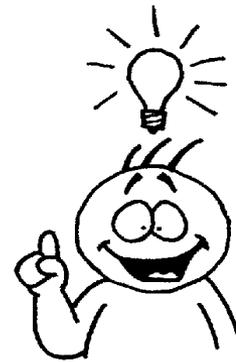
- Suggestions for parent meeting, workshops, activities..., that are not mandated by law, should be generated by parents. All activities must be tied to academic achievement.





The School's Plan

- The school's Parental Involvement Plan must be disseminated to parents of students receiving Title I services in a language that they can understand. Including the alternative formats that might be requested by parents with disabilities.





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Informing the Community

- The community must be told that the school has a Parental Involvement Plan and where it can be accessed.





Meeting Documentation

- All your parental involvement parent meetings, committee meeting, workshops... must be documented with a sign-in sheet, agenda and minutes. The sign-in sheet must clearly identify parents who attended.





Annual Title I Meeting

- Should be held in the fall, as early in the school year as possible.
- Must not be held in conjunction with any other meeting or activity.
- Must cover only topic dealing with the school's Title I, Part A Program.
- Must be documented with a sign-in sheet, agenda and minutes.
- The agenda must include a description of curriculum, proficiency level, and forms of academic assessment.



Parent's Rights

- Parents of students receiving Title I services must be told that they have a right to request regular meeting to formulate suggestions and to participate in decisions about the education of their child.





Parent Notification

- School must provide information to parents of students receiving Title I services about:
 - Parents' Right to Know
 - Annual Report Card
 - Individual Student Assessment Report
 - Progress Review
 - Written State Complaint Procedures
 - Parent Communication
 - Disabled Parents
 - Rights to request regular meetings





HANDOUTS

- PowerPoint Presentation
- Annual Title I Meeting
- School Annual Evaluation Form
- School Parental Involvement Plan Checklist
- School Parental Involvement Documentation List
- School-Parent Compact



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