

# Dillon High School

Annual Title I Parent Meeting

September 25, 2023

4:00 P.M.

# What is Title I?

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# Overview of Title I

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- ▶ Dillon High School operates on a schoolwide Title I Program & receives federal funding.
  - Title-I is a part of the Federal Elementary and Secondary Education Act (ESEA). The purpose of Title I, Part A provides financial assistance to state and local education agencies to improve teaching and learning in high-poverty schools and to and help children failing or at-risk of failing meet challenging state academic standards.

## Goals of Title 1:

- \* Increase academic achievement
- \* Provide direct instructional support to students
- \* Provide professional development for teachers
- \* Promote parent education and involvement

# 2023-2024 Project Discussion

- Our Title-I Project is based upon the instructional needs of our students. These needs are identified based upon student test scores and their ability to meet state accountability. We seek to have input from stakeholders to solicit suggestions via Title-I Parent Meetings, School Improvement Council Meetings, and surveys.
- Currently, when are able to employ teachers in our English Language Arts and mathematics Departments. We also, have a Title-I Facilitator that oversees the procurement of resources for students and staff.
- We provide instructional materials to support reading/math, integration of technology into instruction, provide supplies to improve home school communication, professional development for staff, travel, and increase parent involvement. This year, we are using Read-180 which supports students who are two or more grade levels below in reading. Edmentum Exact Path is also used to reduce learning loss and help students demonstrate mastery of state assessments.



## Dillon School District Four Title I Project

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Dillon School District Four's Title I Project is available for inspection by the public. The Title I Project is located at Dillon School District Four in the Office of Student Services at 1738 Highway 301, North, Dillon, SC 29536. Parents who may have questions, comments, or concerns about the Title-I Project may contact Mrs. Mandy Hayes at 774-1200.

## Dillon High School Title I Project

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Dillon High School's Title I School-wide project is available for inspection by the public. The Title I Project is available for viewing at any time. Copies are in the front office and media center. Parents who may have questions, comments, or concerns about Dillon High School's Title I Project may contact Timothy P. Gibbs, Principal or Regina Brown, Title I Facilitator, at 843-774-1230.

# Parent Involvement

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Parent involvement is vital to student achievement. We are required to do six things to get parents involved in their child's education due to accepting federal funds:

- 1) Parent Involvement Policy
- 2) Parent /Student/Teacher/School Compact
- 3) Annual Parent Meeting
- 4) Parent Involvement Opportunities
- 5) Assessment Information
- 6) Annual Review





# 1) Parent Involvement Policy

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The parent involvement policy is a partnership between the school & the parent. It lets you know what the school is doing to improve academic achievement & how we will keep you involved.

A draft copy will be sent home for review to ask for input on how to improve the policy. Final copies will be sent home on September 20, 2023, with all students.



## 2) Parent-Student-Teacher-School Compact

The true education of a child is trinal and takes all parties working together effectively to support student growth. The Parent-Student-Teacher-School Compact is the agreement between all participants outlining the responsibilities and commitment of each party in the educational process. The school is responsible for providing high-quality instruction and resources to students. Parents are to ensure regular, daily school attendance for students and engage actively in the functions of the school. Students must adhere to all rules and procedures and be an active participant in their learning process. Although abbreviated, the compact is our commitment to service for every child to be successful.

A draft copy was sent home asking for input and changes. Updated home on/after September 25, 2023.

It requires a signature - please sign and return it.





### 3) Annual Parent Meeting



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A third required component is the Annual Parent Meeting where information about Title I and the schoolwide program are shared with parents. Title I informational handouts are available tonight. Today's Title I meeting will serve as our annual parent meeting. All Title I information will be posted on Dillon High School's webpage for review at anytime.

## 4) Parental Involvement Opportunities

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Parental Involvement Opportunities are also a requirement of acceptance of Title 1 funds. Parent meetings are an example. We will hold other parent conference days and nights this year. Dates will be announced later for future meetings. If you have any ideas on training, you would be interested in, please let us know.



## 5) Assessment Information

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To keep you informed of your child's progress, we will send home progress reports, report cards, state assessment results, instructional technology, and other forms of data/information throughout the year. Please review this information carefully & let us know if you have any questions or concerns.

## 6) Annual Review

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The sixth requirement is an Annual Review. Later in the year we will send home a Needs Assessment Survey that will help us with our Annual Review. This consists of a review of the student assessment data, evaluations we receive from parents, parent surveys, and other sources of information as a guideline for the development of next year's plan.



# Other Title-I Information

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- Parents' Right to Know & School Level Requirements- provides information on qualifications of teachers, assistants, and substitute teachers who work in Title I schools. The teacher information is found on SCTeachers.org and information can also be found in the personnel office.
- Rights of Homeless Children- Dillon Four serves its homeless children by providing clothing when they have a need so that they can continue coming to school. Anyone can make a referral to the Office of Student Services, and they will be looked at on an individual basis.

# Other Title-I Information

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- ▶ Request Comments and Suggestions
- ▶ Parents' Right To Know Notification and School Level Requirements and how to access that information
- ▶ Contacts for Federal Programs
- ▶ Information Regarding your Title I Program
- ▶ Every Student Succeeds Act Information
- ▶ Title I Newsletter 2023-2024 will be sent home at then end of September & will be posted on the school website.
- ▶ Family Friendly Standards- Posted on Dillon District Four and Dillon High School websites.



## *Information Regarding Your Title I Program*

### **What is Title I?**

Title I of the Elementary and Secondary Education Act provides financial assistance to state and local educational agencies to meet the needs of educationally deprived, at-risk children. The goal of Title I is to provide instructional services and activities to meet the needs of disadvantaged children identified as failing or most at risk of failing the state's challenging performance standards.

### **What will Title I do for my child?**

The Title I program will provide your child with extra educational assistance beyond the regular classroom.

### **Which schools do Title I serve?**

The program serves children in elementary and secondary schools who have demonstrated that extra assistance is needed. Title I also serves children who attend parochial and private schools.

### **Title I programs generally offer:**

- Smaller classes or special instructional Spaces.
- Additional teachers and aides
- Opportunities for professional development for school staff
- Extra time for teaching Title I students the skills they need.
- A variety of supplementary teaching methods.
- An individualized program for students.
- Additional teaching materials which supplement their regular instruction

### **How Do Schools Receive Title I Funds?**

The federal government provides funding to each state. State educational agencies send this money to school districts. How much money each school receives is determined by the number of low-income students attending that school.

### **Lastly, Title I schools:**

- Identify the students at their school who need the most educational assistance based on the criteria that school has chosen. Students do NOT have to be from low-income families to receive Title I services.
- Set goals for improving the skills of educationally disadvantaged students at their school.
- Measure student progress to determine the success of the Title I program for each student.
- Develop programs for each individual student in order to support / supplement regular classroom instruction.

### **The Importance of Parent Involvement in The Title I Program**

Parents ...you can influence the success of your child in school more than any teacher or federal program. By becoming an active participant in the Title I parent involvement plan at your school, you will:

- Serve as a role model, showing your child that you support his / her education.
- Assure that you are aware of your child's educational progress; thereby demonstrating how important that progress is to you.
- Teach your student that your input at the school is appreciated and that you support its efforts.

Research shows that how well a child does in school depends a great deal upon how much their parents get involved in their education. You can become more involved by:

- Joining local and national school/ parent organizations.
- Supporting school extra-curricular activities.
- Volunteering at the school.
- Attending parent-teacher conferences.
- Communicating with your child's teacher regularly, by writing notes, telephoning the school, etc.
- Keeping your child's teacher informed about events in your child's life which may affect his / her performance at school.
- Discussing other ideas with your child's teacher and parent organizations regarding parent involvement.



# Questions & Comments

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If you have questions, comments or concerns about any of the information presented, please contact:

Mr. Timothy P. Gibbs, Principal

Or

Dr. Regina J. Brown, Title I Facilitator

At

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