

MIDDLETOWN AREA SCHOOL DISTRICT

SECTION: PROGRAMS

TITLE: TITLE I - PARENT
INVOLVEMENT

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	131.1. TITLE I - PARENT INVOLVEMENT
1. Purpose	Middletown Area School District shall establish and maintain a parent involvement policy to provide assistance, information, and general support to the parents of students served through Title I educational programs.
2. Delegation of Responsibility	The Title I Coordinator working collaboratively with the Title I teachers shall develop, implement, and/or conduct annual activities designed to meet the needs of Title I parents. Each activity shall occur a minimum of one (1) time per school year. The coordinator will maintain ultimate responsibility for scheduling each activity and the production of appropriate documents.
3. Guidelines	<p><u>Activities</u></p> <p>The following activities have been developed to assure the involvement of parents with the design and implementation of Title I educational programs:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none">1. Parent Notification Letters of notification and permission are distributed to all identified Title I participants. The form requests a parent signature, date, and general input into the program.2. Progress Reports To every reasonable extent, reading specialists conduct an individual conference with parents of students being served through Title I programs. Reading specialists are available at the annual Open House to confer with parents. Written progress reports are available on request with all students receiving an end-of-the year report or exit letter.

3. Home/School Compact

Each parent of a student participant will receive a Home/School Compact outlining the role of the Title I teacher, classroom teacher, parent, and student. Signatures by parents are voluntary.

4. Parent Libraries

A library of parent resources is available for review and use by Title I parents. The Title I teacher serving in each respective building will maintain the inventory and checkout process.

5. Needs Assessment

An annual program evaluation is issued to parents. Comments are solicited on instructional services, parent involvement, and other aspects of the Title I program.

6. Informational Sessions

An annual meeting is held to provide an overview of Title I programming, funding, and teaching initiatives. Parents are given opportunities to interact with Title I personnel and provide input into the development of future programming. A presentation on a topic of current interest will be made at the annual meeting. Training sessions developed to serve parents of Title I students will be publicized as a means of offering parents a learning opportunity. Reasonable costs will be underwritten through Title I funds.