



# EASTERN LOCAL SCHOOL WIDE TITLE I PROGRAMS PARENT INFORMATION PACKET SCHOOL YEAR 2016-2017

## **What is Title I?**

Title I is a segment of the Elementary and Secondary Education Act that is funded by US Congress. Title I first originated in the early 1960's and has undergone a lot of changes over the years. The basic purpose for Title I is to provide funds to schools to help children achieve in reading and math. Funding is distributed through the Ohio Department of Education and is based upon several factors of the school district. All 620 school districts in Ohio receive Title I funds and many non-public schools receive funding for children who are eligible.

## **What services do we offer our students at Eastern Local?**

Title I funding provides reduced class size in 3<sup>rd</sup> grade at Russellville and Sardinia Elementary School Buildings.

## **What is a Schoolwide Title 1 Program?**

Each year our schools look at nine components of a school-wide plan to determine if they are addressing best practices in these areas. The components are:

- 1) Strategies to strengthen the core program and extend learning time
- 2) High quality and continuous professional development for teachers and staff
- 3) Additional assistance to students having difficulty mastering State standards
- 4) Increased parental involvement
- 5) Preschool transition
- 6) High quality teachers
- 7) Teacher recruitment
- 8) Teacher decisions on the use of assessments to improve student achievement
- 9) Coordination of programs

## **Why is it important for parents to be involved?**

You play the most important role in your child's education! You were their first teacher and can have a huge impact on their success in school. As a team, home and school, we must talk on a regular basis so we can do what is best for your child's academic progress. Together we can provide the experiences and knowledge they need to succeed.

## **Who should I contact if I have any questions?**

You can also contact your building's principal or the Director of Special Education/Federal Programs/Test Coordination, Tracy Spires at 937-695-1249, ext. 2215 or [tracy.spires@eb.k12.oh.us](mailto:tracy.spires@eb.k12.oh.us).



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Parents have the right to request information regarding the professional qualifications of their child's teacher. To request this information, please contact your child's principal, the ELSD District Office at 937-695-9030 or Tracy Spires, Director of Special Education/Federal Programs/Test Coordination at 937-695-1249.