# **Title I Services**

The Board elects to augment the educational program of educationally disadvantaged students by the use of Federal funds and in accordance with Title I of the Amendments in the Elementary and Secondary School Improvement Act of 1965.

# Plan Development

The Principal or his/her designee shall prepare and present to the Department of Education a plan for the delivery of services which meets the requirements of the law, including those described below. The plan shall be developed, evaluated and, when necessary, amended by professional staff members involved in its implementation, parents and other members of the community who will be served by the plan, and, if appropriate and applicable, federal, state, or local programs.

## Assessment

The Title I plan must be based on a comprehensive needs assessment of the entire school, taking into account information on the academic achievement of children on required State assessments and the particular needs of children who are failing or at-risk of failing to meet such standards.

The School shall annually assess the educational needs of eligible children, as determined by Federal and State criteria. Such assessment shall include academic performance standards mandated by the Department of Education, as well as those determined by the School professional staff, that will assist in the diagnosis, teaching, and learning of the participating students.

## <u>Scope</u>

The School shall determine whether the funds will be used to upgrade the educational program of the entire School and/or to establish or improve programs that provide services only for eligible students in greatest need of assistance. The program shall include the components required by law, as well as those agreed upon by participating staff and parents.

## Parent and Family Member Engagement

Parent and family member engagement shall meet the requirements of Section 1116 of the Act. See Policy 203.1.

## Comparability of Services

Title I funds will be used only to supplement, not supplant, state and local funds. The Principal or his/her designee shall take steps as necessary to achieve comparability of services.

The determination of the comparability of services may exclude, in accordance with federal regulations, state and local funds spent on compensatory education programs, bilingual education programs, and programs for educationally-disabled students. The determination of comparability will not take into account unpredictable changes in student enrollments or personnel assignments.

## Professional Development

Appropriate training will be provided to staff members who provide Title I services. The Principal or his/her designee shall develop administrative guidelines whereby members of the professional staff participate in the design and implementation of staff development activities and:

- A. involve parents in the training, when appropriate;
- B. combine and consolidate other available Federal and School funds; and
- C. foster cooperative training with institutions of higher learning and other educational organizations, including school districts.

#### Simultaneous Services

In accordance with law, a school offering Title I services may also serve other students with similar needs.

20 U.S.C. 6314; 20 U.S.C. 6318(c)