

Osage R-1 School District

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 does Title I serve?

The program serves children in elementary and secondary schools, which have demonstrated that extra assistance is needed. Currently our Title I program is limited to the elementary school. Title I also serves children who attend parochial and private schools.

How does our school receive Title I money?

The federal government provides funding to each state.

State Educational Agencies send this money to school districts. The number of low-income students attending that school determines how much money each school receives.

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 emotionally 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.

Title I programs generally offer:

Smaller classes or special instructional spaces. Additional teachers and aides.

Extra time for teaching Title I students the skills they need.

A variety of supplementary teaching methods. An individualized program for students.

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 you support his/her education. Assure that you are aware of your child's educational progress; thereby demonstrate how important that progress is to you. Teach your student that your input at school is appreciated and that you support efforts.

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

Joining your local and national school/parent organizations.
Supporting school extra-curricular activities.
Volunteering at 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 with your child's teacher and parent organizations other ideas for parent involvement.