

# Westvale Elementary School

2022-2023

Annual Title I Parent Meetings

August 16th, 2022 @ 6:00 pm at Westvale Back to School Night August 31st, 2022 @ 9:00 am via zoom



# Why are we here?

- The Every Student Success Act (ESSA) requires that each Title I school hold an annual meeting of Title I families in order to:
  - inform you of your school's participation in Title I,
  - o explain the requirements of Title I and
  - explain your rights as parents and family members to be involved.



#### What will I learn?

- What is Title I?
- How does Westvale Elementary use Title I funds?
- How are students selected for Title I services?
- What services do they recieve?
- What curricula are used?
- What is a Parent and Family Engagement Policy?
- What is a School/Parent/Family Compact?
- What are my rights as a parent?
- How can I be involved?
- Whom can I contact for help or for more information?



#### What is Title !?

- Title I was passed in 1965 under the Elementary and Secondary Education Act (ESEA). It is the largest federal assistance program for our nation's schools.
- Title I schools receive extra funding (Title I dollars) from the federal government. These dollars are used to:
  - identify students experiencing academic difficulties and provide assistance to help these students,
  - o fund additional staff, programs, materials, and/or supplies and
  - conduct parent and family engagement meetings, trainings, events, and/or activities.



# How does Westvale Elementary use Title I funds?

- Funding goes towards staffing. We pay for a full time Assistant Principal, teachers and assistants.
- By focusing on Tier 1 and Tier 2 instruction in Language Arts and Math.
- Creating smaller classroom sizes.
- Reducing the number of behavioral office referrals and minor incidents.



#### How are students selected for Title I?

• We are a Title I school, therefore all students are eligible for Title I funds.



#### What services do the students receive?

- Supplemental instruction in small groups, focused on specific skills.
- Push-in services: Additional teachers or assistances within the regular classroom. This allows for smaller groups and more individualized attention.
- Pull-out services: Students meet in small groups outside the classroom with assistants, 20-30 minutes per day, 4 days per week.



#### What curricula are used in Title I?

- Highly effective, evidence-based strategies.
  - Imagine Math
  - Lexia
  - Heggerty Phonemic Awareness
  - Really Great Reading
  - 95%

#### What is the Parent & Family Engagement Policy?



- These plans address how the school will implement the parent and family engagement requirements of ESSA. Components should include:
  - o how parents and families can be involved in decision-making and activities,
  - how information and training will be provided to families.
  - how the school will build capacity in families and staff for strong parent and family engagement.
- The school Parent & Family Engagement Policy can be found on the Westvale Elementary website: <a href="https://westvale.jordandistrict.org">https://westvale.jordandistrict.org</a>.
- You, as a Title I parent or family member, have the right to be involved in the development of these plans.
- The Parent & Family Engagement Policy will be sent home in two languages (English and Spanish), it is on our school website, and it is in a binder at the front office.

# What is the School -Parent/Family Compact?



- A School-Parent/Family Compact is a written commitment that outlines how the entire school community (teachers, faculty members, families and students) will share the responsibility for improved academic achievement.
- The compact must describe how the school will:
  - o provide high-quality curriculum and instruction
  - o provide parents with reports on their child's progress
  - o provide parents reasonable access to staff
  - o provide parents opportunities to volunteer.
  - ensure regular two-way communication between family members and staff, to the extent practicable, in a language family members can understand.
- Westvale Elementary School School-Parent/Family Compact is signed at the start of the school year, and can also be found on the school's website.
- You, as the Title I parent or family member, have the right to be involved in the development of the compact.
- The School-Parent/Family Compact will be sent home in two languages (English and Spanish), it is on our school website, and it is in a binder at the front office.



# What are my rights?

- The families and parents of Title I students have a right, by law, to:
  - o be involved in decisions made at both the school and district level
  - be provided with information on your child's level of achievement on tests in reading/language arts, writing, mathematics and science
  - o request and receive information on the qualifications of your child's teacher and paraprofessionals who are working with your child
  - request opportunities for regular meetings to formulate suggestions and to participate, as appropriate, in decisions about the education of your child. The school is required to respond to any such suggestions as soon as practicably possible.



#### How can I be involved?

- We need you! Research has proven that family engagement in education has more impact on student achievement than *any* other factor.
- Get involved with your child's classroom by contacting the classroom teacher.
- To get involved with the PTA please use the following email: westvalepta@gmail.com
- Follow the Westvale Elementary page on Facebook and/or Instagram.
- We will be reaching out to families for input on the Parent & Family Engagement Policy and the Parent Compact.



## Whom can I contact for help?

- To reach your child's teacher, call the front office at (801) 565-7510 or email the teacher.
- For questions about the Title I program, contact Odette

  Desmarais <u>odette.desmarais@jordandistrict.org</u> or by leaving a message with the front office.
- Para obtener ayuda en espanol, comuniquese con Odette
   Desmarais odette.desmarais@jordandistrict.org



# Do you have any questions or comments?



# WE JUST WANT TO SAY... THANK YOU FOR ALL THAT YOU DO!