Lower Merion School District

TITLE I PARENT INFORMATION MEETING

LOWER MERION TITLE I PROGRAM

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- Title I Federally Funded
- Targeted programs in Grades K-2
 - Reading

WHAT IS TITLE I?

- Title I is one of the nation's oldest and largest federal programs supporting elementary and secondary education.
- More than 90 percent of the school systems in the United States receive some sort of Title I funding.
- Through Title I, the federal government disburses money to school districts based on the number of lowincome families in each district as determined by census data.

WHAT IS THE PURPOSE OF TITLE I

- The purpose of Title I is to assist schools in improving student achievement. Funds are used to supplement and improve regular education programs offered to help students meet state standards.
- Nonpublic students are eligible for an equitable portion of the home district's Title I funding if they reside in a Title I eligible attendance area.

TITLE I FACULTY

| School: | Belmont Hills Elem School | Penn Valley Elem School | Merion Elem School |
|-------------------------|------------------------------------|----------------------------------|--------------------------|
| Principal: | Dr. Hart | Mr. Mitchell | Ms. Heffron |
| Reading Specialists: | Amy Heinerichs | Kim Dolan | Edie Lewis |

Title I Entrance/Exit Criteria – KINDERGARTEN

| Entrance Criteria | Exit Criteria | | |
|---|---|--|--|
| Letter Recognition | Child reaches benchmark on district-wide assessments: Letter Recognition | | |
| Sight Word Inventory | | | |
| Developmental Word Knowledge Inventory | Sight Word Inventory Developmental Word Knowledge Reading Record | | |
| Reading Record below grade level | | | |
| Below Basic in 3 out of 4 assessments | | | |

Title I Entrance/Exit Criteria – GRADE 1

| Entrance Criteria | Exit Criteria | | |
|---|---|--|--|
| Letter Recognition | Child reaches benchmark on district-wide assessments: Letter Recognition | | |
| Sight Word Inventory | | | |
| Developmental Word Knowledge Inventory | Sight Word Inventory Developmental Word Knowledge Reading Record | | |
| Reading Record below grade level | | | |
| Below Basic in 3 out of 4 assessments | | | |

Title | Entrance / Exit Criteria – GRADE 2

| Entrance Criteria | Exit Criteria | | |
|---|---|--|--|
| Listening Comprehension | Child reaches benchmark on district-wide assessments: | | |
| Developmental Word Knowledge Inventory | Listening Comprehension Developmental Word | | |
| Reading Record below grade level | Knowledge Inventory Reading Record | | |
| Below Basic in 3 out of 3 assessments | | | |

LEVELED LITERACY INTERVENTION INSTRUCTIONAL ROUTINES:

Plan for Odd-Numbered Lessons:

- a. 5 minutes rereading books
- b. 5 minutes phonics/word work
- c. 15 minutes new book (instructional level)
- d. 5 minutes letter/word work

Plan for Even-Numbered Lessons:

- a. 5 minutes rereading books and assessment
- b. 5 minutes phonics/word work
- c. 15 minutes writing about reading
- d. 5 minutes new book (easier level)

School / Parent Compact

| Title I teachers will | Parent/Guardians will | Students will |
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| Know the child well through assessment | Provide space, materials, and scheduled time for homework | Complete my homework every day |
| Teach appropriate skills at the child's instructional level Communicate with parents through eBoard, conferences, workshops, student progress reports, or newsletters | Read with and to my child regularly Model reading to my child by reading for pleasure and showing that books matter Talk to my child and build his/her knowledge of the world Limit TV watching and playing electronic games to develop creativity and better oral and written expression Communicate with teacher during conferences, by phone, in writing, or through attending Title I parent workshops | Read for 15 minutes a day Limit my time watching TV and playing electronic games |

COMPLAINT RESOLUTION PROCESS

- Every Student Succeeds Act (ESSA) S.1177 (12/10/15)
 requires Local Educational Agencies to adopt written procedure
 for "receiving and resolving any complaint alleging violations of
 the law in administration of programs." In accordance with this
 legislative requirement, LMSD has adopted a procedure for
 parent complaints. A full version of the complain process is
 listed on the reading specialist's e-board.
- A "complaint" is a written, signed statement filed by an individual. It would first go to the principal of the building then complaint procedures are followed according to the guidelines set forth by ESSA.