

## **PARENTAL INVOLVEMENT (cont'd)**

Look at your child's performance and be sure you understand where your child stands in reading and mathematics.

Talk with your child's teachers and principal to find out how you and your school can work together to improve your child's performance.

Communicate your school's successes to your community and look for ways to support your school.

Contact the Opelika City Schools - Title I Office (334-745-9700) and find out more about how you can be involved by attending district meetings, serving on advisory committees and giving input on policies.

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## **Title I, Part A Improving the Academic Achievement of the Disadvantaged**

### **NO CHILD LEFT BEHIND**

Under the “No Child Left Behind” (NCLB) Act, parents of children in Title I schools have the right to:

Request, and the district must provide, information regarding the professional qualifications of your child’s classroom teachers.

Know if paraprofessionals are providing services to their children and what the paraprofessionals’ qualifications are.

Know if their children have been taught by a teacher who is not highly qualified for four weeks or more.

Know if their children’s school is in need of improvement, corrective action, or restructuring. The school must notify parents on how they can become involved in school improvement efforts.

Help create and/or review the school’s Title I plan and program evaluation, and have input into how Title I monies are spent for parental activities.

For more information on No Child Left Behind, visit the official website at [www.nochildleftbehind.gov](http://www.nochildleftbehind.gov) or call the Title I office at (508) 830-4348 for a printed booklet.

## **HOW ARE PARENTS INVOLVED ?**

### **District-wide Advisory Council Meetings**

Parents and teachers from Title I Schoolwide Schools who attend these meetings gain valuable information to share with other parents and teachers at the school level.

### **Annual Parent Meeting**

**Each year, Title I hosts an annual meeting for all parents in the Opelika City School District.**

### **Parent Advisory Board**

These parents participate in the development of the district’s Title I Parent Involvement Policy and are valued partners in the program evaluation process.

### **Parent/Teacher Conferences**

Parents and teachers meet regularly to discuss student progress and to strengthen home/school partnerships.

### **Home/School Compacts**

Parents, students, and schools jointly develop agreements defining goals, expectations and shared responsibilities.

### **School-wide PAC**

### **(Parent Advisory Council) Meetings**

Each Title I school has at least 2 meetings per year to provide information about the program, share strategies for academic success, and offer time for parents to ask questions and give feedback.

### **Title I Planning Committee**

Each Title I school invites parents to join the planning process as they evaluate programs and plan for the coming school year.

### **Parent University**

Parents and school leaders work together to design and implement school wide parent/family activities that will encourage parents to become involved in their own child’s education and support school activities. These activities encompass a wide variety of areas, such as health/nutrition, physical fitness, fun family activities, homework assistance, and beginning and advanced levels of computer training for parents.

### **Community Partnerships**

The Title I program works jointly with various community organizations on special projects to reach many families.

## **CSI**

The **Community School Initiative** is a program that reaches out into the communities and empowers parents with parenting & teaming skills to work with teachers for the life-long success of all children.

## **Want more information about Title I?**

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