Lee Magnet Middle School's Title 1 Parent Involvement Plan Summary 2015-2016

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Title 1 School Wide Projects

Title 1 is the largest program of federal funding in education signed into law in 1965. President Johnson recognized the extremely difficult problem that children throughout the country were having with reading and mathematics. In an effort to help them catch up, the Elementary, Secondary Education Act, Title 1 (ESEA) provided extra attention, materials and teachers. On December 2001, President Bush signed into law the "No Child Left Behind Act".

The Title 1 law requires the meaningful involvement of parents in school level planning, development and design of initiatives to improve student achievement supported by Title 1 funds.

Our school's Title 1 **Parent Involvement Plan** was developed following our review of the results from the **School Climate Perception Survey**. The survey is completed each spring by the parents, staff, and students to provide an opportunity to share their opinions.

Title 1 Parent Involvement

The Title 1 program for parents is designed to 1) inform parents about Title 1 regulations, 2) involve parents in local Title 1 decisions, 3) provide literacy training, offer parents training in schools and in the community on ways to work with their students at home to raise student achievement, and 5) encourage active participation of parents in their student's education.

As a Title 1 school, Lee Magnet Middle is required to:

- Hold an annual meeting to inform parents of the school's participation in the Title 1 program, their rights to be involved in the school and the requirements of Title 1,
- develop jointly with parents, a written parental involvement policy
- develop jointly with parents, a school-parent compact. The compact must state how parents, the school staff and students will share in the responsibility for improved student achievement and be discussed during a parent/teacher conference,
 - provide staff training on parent involvement,
- provide training and materials to help parents work with their children
- provide (upon request) opportunities for regular meetings to allow parents to participate (as appropriate) in decisions about their child's education and respond to suggestions,
- offer flexible meeting times. Ensure that information sent to parents is in a format and language, to the extent practicable, that parents understand, coordinate with programs and other agencies.
- Each Title I school utilizes a percentage of its Title I allocation to support a comprehensive parental involvement program.

The Title I Program funds at Lee Magnet Middle School are used to enhance the district's instruction program by:

- Publishing newsletters and other printed materials for parents and students information
- Providing parenting classes
- Offering workshops to increase student learning
- Purchasing materials for parent educational meetings
- Providing additional highly qualified staff positions
- Supporting parent and community involvement and volunteer efforts
- Providing staff development workshops
- Adding technology and needed equipment