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Title I is a federally funded grant program that allocates money to schools so they can provide support to students in reading/writing and math.

How do students qualify for Title I services?

Each year, teachers fill out “criteria sheets” based on how students perform on various assessments and on their classroom performance. Students who meet established criteria qualify for Title I services. Throughout the year teachers can fill out a Title I “referral form” for any child who might benefit from extra support in reading, writing, and/or math.

How long is my child a Title I student?

Our goal is to provide services to students that will allow them to acquire math and reading skills that will enable them to perform more successfully in the classroom. This happens at different rates for students. Once your child is performing solidly “at grade level” you will receive a Title I “release notice” explaining why your child is being released from Title I. Sometimes students qualify for Title I services, but are receiving direct services through Early Intervention and/or Special Education. In some of these cases students are released from Title I due to the fact that they are receiving these other services.

Who provides Title I services to my child?

We are very fortunate to have four para-educators and one Title I reading teacher who provide support to Title I students in grades K-4. At the present time all para-educators work in the classrooms to support and assist Title I students. From time to time they may also pull students out to work with them on something specific. The Title I reading teacher pulls students from their classroom and provides specialized reading instruction to individuals and/or small groups.

How can I be involved in Title I as a parent?

Parents of Title I students are invited to participate in our Parent Involvement Meetings that occur in the fall and the spring. These meetings allow parents to give suggestions, input, and ask questions about the Title I Program. You may contact the Title I project manager at any time with any concerns, questions, suggestions, etc.

Who over sees the Title I Program?

Alesia Parks is the Title I Program Manager for the school district. Please feel free to call her at the school (279-7969) or email her at alesia.parks@interlakes.org with any questions or feedback.