

## What is Title I?

Title I Part A of the *Every Student Succeeds Act (ESSA)* provides additional funding for supplemental supports to schools with the highest percentage of poverty.

## How do schools qualify to receive Title I Funds?

Schools qualify based on demonstrating that their student population has a sufficiently high percentage of economically disadvantaged students. In accordance with federal law, funds are allocated to schools to support the purpose of Title I and the goals of the Schoolwide Improvement Plan.

Schools that receive Title I funds are operated as school wide programs. The school wide model means that all students in the school are eligible for services that Title I funds provide.

## 2020-2021 Schools with a Title I Program

- Alternative Center (772) 564-6240
- Citrus Elementary (772) 978-8350
- Dodgertown Elementary (772) 564-4100
- Fellsmere Elementary (772) 564-5970
- Gifford Middle (772) 564-3550
- Glendale Elementary (772) 978-8050
- Indian River Academy (772) 564-3390
- Oslo Middle School (772) 564-3980
- Pelican Island Elementary (772) 564-6500
- Sebastian Elementary (772) 978-8200
- Sebastian River Middle (772) 564-5111
- St. Peter's Charter Academy (772) 562-1963
- Treasure Coast Elementary (772) 978-8500
- Vero Beach Elementary (772) 564-4550

## Purpose of Title I

The purpose of Title I is to ensure that all students have a fair, equal, and significant opportunity to obtain a high-quality education, and reach, at a minimum, proficiency on challenging state academic achievement standards and state academic assessments.

Title I funds assist schools in improving student achievement and are used to enhance the regular district instructional program.

## Support for Title I Schools

- Facilitate family engagement
- Additional highly qualified personnel
- Supplemental materials and supplies
- Enhance technology and equipment
- Professional development activities
- Before and after school programs
- Summer programs
- School social workers
- Title I Resource Teachers
- Supplemental services for Pre-K



## Family Engagement

### Philosophy

Parents are the most influential teachers in a child's life. Research indicates parental involvement increases student achievement and improves attitudes toward school. It is essential that parents and teachers have mutual respect and understanding of each other and work toward common goals for each student.

The district's **Parent Informational Guide** contains additional information regarding district programs, policies, and tips for parents. The Parent Informational Guide is available at [www.indianriverschools.org](http://www.indianriverschools.org) or at your child's school.

### Planning

Positive family engagement, convenient opportunities for staff/parent interaction, parent education, constructive home/school relationships, and the earliest possible involvement of the family in supporting student learning are all characteristics of effective programs. Each Title I school develops a Parent and Family Engagement Plan (PFEP). The PFEP is developed with parent input and is designed to meet the specific needs of the students and families at the school. In collaboration with parents, all Title I schools also develop a School-Parent Compact that states what parents, students, and the school will do together to raise student achievement.

## Communication

Each school welcomes parents' participation in academic and social activities. On-going communication includes phone calls, progress reports, parent-school compacts, meetings, parent/teacher conferences, and school assemblies. Throughout the year, parents are offered training on ways to work with their child at home to raise student achievement, informational nights, and books & resource materials for check out. Each Title I school is required to hold an annual meeting for all parents and involve parents in an organized, ongoing, and timely way in the planning, review, and improvement of Title I schools.



## Title I Social Workers

Students identified for the homeless education program are supported by Title I social workers.

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**Vision:** *Educate and Inspire  
every student to be successful*

**Mission:** *Serve all students  
with excellence*

## SCHOOL DISTRICT OF INDIAN RIVER COUNTY

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