



What is Title I and How Can Parents be Engaged?

Annual Title I Parent Meeting

GISD Campuses

8/1/2018 – 8/1/2019

Definition of Title I:

- Title I provides federal funding to schools to help students who are low achieving or at most risk of falling behind.
- Title I is allocated to schools based on the percentage of student receiving free/reduced lunch.
- Schools with a percentage of at least 40% are eligible for a schoolwide program.

All of Gilmer ISD's campuses
operate under the Title I
Schoolwide Program.

Schoolwide means:

- The school uses Title I funds to upgrade the entire educational program of the school.
- Title I funds are used to serve all children in order to raise academic achievement.
- Title I funds will be used to provide additional assistance to all students who experience difficulties in meeting the State's performance targets.

To be a “Schoolwide” School:

- The school must have a free/reduced lunch count of at least 40%.
- The school must collect and analyze data that effects student achievement.
- The school must develop a comprehensive site plan and annually review the effectiveness of the plan.

Gilmer Elementary
Gilmer Intermediate
Bruce Junior High School
Gilmer High School

Title I Schoolwide Program

GISD Campus Planning Teams:

Each campus has a Title I planning team. Each planning team consists of the following members:

- Principal-
- Assistant Principal (s)-
- Teacher –
- Teacher-
- Teacher-
- Teacher-
- Counselor(s)-
- **Parent volunteers needed**

Assessment:

- Students will be assessed through formative and summative evaluations throughout the school year. Assessments are teacher designed and designed by the state through the administration of the STAAR/EOC tests.
- Students assessments are also designed to show growth from year to year as well as from beginning of year to the end of the year.

Title I Parent Notification Requirements

Parent/Family Engagement Policy

- The Parent/Family Engagement policy and the parent compact were distributed:
 - HOW: GISD On-line Registration packets; GISD Student Handbooks, Meet the Teacher events, Open House events, Facebook, Twitter, email, etc.
- The parent compacts can be found at:
 - www.gilmerisd.org for each campus
- Paper copies are also available in the office

Please contact the appropriate campus office and we can ensure that you receive a copy.

School-Parent Compact & Parent Engagement Policy

- Revised and evaluated at the end of each year by the planning team
- We need you to be a part of our planning team.

Parent's Right to Know – Student Achievement

- Parents will be informed through written communication after students take the STAAR /EOC/ AP test. Parent meetings will be held to inform parents of SSI requirements for 5th and 8th graders and graduation requirements.

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- Parents will also be notified in writing within the first three weeks of a grading period at the junior high and high school campuses and during the fourth week of a nine-week grading period at the elementary and intermediate campuses in regards to their student's academic progress.
- Parents may also access grades through Skyward.

Parent's Right to Know – Non-Highly Qualified Teachers

- Schools are required to notify parents if their child has been taught for four or more consecutive weeks by a teacher that is not highly qualified.
- 100% of GISD teachers are HQ

**How Can You Be
Engaged?**

Parent Engagement Opportunities

- We are always in need of parent volunteers in Gilmer ISD
- Please contact Jeff Hamilton, Director of Student Services at 903-841-7400 or hamiltonj@gilmerisd.org
- All volunteers **MUST** be cleared before volunteering on any campus

Parent Engagement in Decision Making

- Site Based and Decision Making committees meet periodically through out the year and we need parent representatives on the committee.
- Please contact the appropriate campus principal to learn how to be a member of the campus decision making committee.

Right to Request Meetings

- Upon the request of parents, the school must provide opportunities for regular meetings for parents to formulate suggestions and to participate, as appropriate, in decisions about the education of their children.
- The school must respond to any such suggestions as soon as practicably possible.

GISD Campus Contact Information

- **Gilmer Elementary**, Kim Kemp, *Principal*
- Wes Godsy; Adra Barnes; Jessica Hoffpauir, **Assistant Principals**
- 903-841-7700

- **Gilmer Intermediate**, Gina Treadway, *Principal*
- Jennifer Rucker, **Assistant Principal**
- 903-841-7800

- **Bruce Junior High School**, Bill Bradshaw, *Principal*
- Troy Tatum, **Assistant Principal**
- 903-841 7600

- **Gilmer High School**, Brian Bowman, *Principal*
- Josh Barton; Jasmine Cunningham, **Assistant Principal(s)**
- 903-841-7500