



Dear Parents/Guardians,

Lawler Elementary School is a school-wide Title I school which means that Title I services are provided for every student. These services are supported through Federal funding and are used in areas where academic needs are determined by test data. Our Comprehensive School Improvement Plan (CSIP) addresses the areas of greatest need for the school as a whole. For example, during the current school year, Title I teachers are utilized to create smaller class sizes. In addition, instructional assistants help primary teachers with reading instruction, allowing us to have smaller reading groups. The curriculum coordinator is also funded by Title I and assists with curriculum planning, instruction, and assessment throughout the school.

You are invited to learn more about the Title I program, your child's progress, and ways you can help at home. Our staff looks forward to talking with you and helping you with any questions, concerns, or needs. We are appreciative of your support in helping us meet our goal of fulfilling the academic needs of your child.

School-Wide and District Parent Involvement Policies are attached, which describe the shared responsibilities between school, district, students, and parents that promote high student performance. Our Parent Involvement Policy has been approved by our Site-Based Decision Making Council.

If you have any input regarding the Parent Involvement Policy please call, email, or write us your thoughts. We hope that your child has a great school year and that his/her experiences will be a successful one.

Sincerely,  
Brooke Jagers  
Curriculum Coordinator

## **Title I Parent Involvement District Policy**

It is the intent of the Grayson County Board of Education that parents of participating students shall be provided with frequent and convenient opportunities for full and on-going participation in the Title I Program, including opportunities to suggest modifications, based on changing needs of parents, students, and schools.

All comments indicating parent dissatisfaction with the district Title I Program shall be collected and kept on file with the plan at the Grayson County Board of Education's Central Office. These comments may be read and examined upon request.

The Title I Program shall be designed to help students achieve the high standards as set forth by the Title I law, as well as goals and standards established by the Kentucky State Board of Education and the Grayson County Board of Education.

These goals and standards shall be shared with parents in a manner that will enable them to participate in decisions concerning their child's education and ensure continuing educational achievement.

If the Grayson County School District's Title I allocation is \$500,000 or more, the district shall reserve one percent of its allocations for parent involvement, as specified in the law. Parents of participating students shall be provided the opportunity to help decide how these funds will be used.

The Grayson County School District will provide the support necessary to assist Title I schools in planning, implementing, and evaluating an effective parent involvement program. This support will include, but is not limited to, the specific activities specified in the Improving America's Schools Act of 1994. These activities may include, but are not limited to, the following:

1. Use of Title I funds reserved by parent involvement to assist in communication with parents, transporting them to meeting sites and/or implementing home visits, providing child care for meetings, developing and disseminating a Title I newsletter that relies heavily upon parent input and production, and other activities that assist the Title I parents in working with their child to improve educational achievements.

2. Coordinate Title I parent activities with community agencies, the Family Resource and Youth Services Center, and other programs to the extent feasible.
3. Develop ways in which parents can be involved in training activities to enhance and develop skill and techniques that will involve parents as partners essential in their child's educational success.
4. Conduct and involve Title I parents in an annual evaluation to this Title I policy and parent involvement activities associated with it.
5. Emphasize and encourage effective parent participation in all aspects of the Title I program.
6. Each Title I school shall develop a parent involvement policy meeting all legal requirements and submit it to the Site-Based Decision Making Council for review and adoption.
7. Both the Title I school policy and the Title I district policy will be distributed to parents of participating students and will be available to all interested persons.
8. Copies of school and district Title I policy and other related materials will be kept on file at the Central Office of the Grayson County Board of Education.

(This policy was developed with input, assistance, and review from Title I parents of participating students in the Grayson County School district.)

## **Lawler Elementary:** **Title I Parent Involvement Policy**

**Purpose:** The Parent Involvement Policy ensures equitable participation in the planning, reviewing and implementing of all parent programs and activities.

**Procedures:** Lawler Elementary, along with the district Federal Programs Coordinator, shall convene an annual meeting to coincide with the first PTO meeting of the school year, to which all parents are invited and encouraged to attend. At this meeting, parents will be informed of the school's participation in a Title I school wide program, the purpose and requirements of Title I, and their right to be involved. Particular attention shall be given to reaching those parents who are economically disadvantaged, are disabled, have limited English proficiency, have limited literacy, or are of any racial or ethnic minority background.

Parents are encouraged to be involved in the school through PTO membership; attending parent involvement activities (pre and post-COVID); volunteering for various school functions throughout the school year (pre and post-COVID); Lawler Parent Advisory Committee, serving on the Family Resource Advisory Council, and SBDM council.

Lawler Elementary shall involve parents in an organized, ongoing, and timely manner, in the Title I planning, review, and improvement of programs, including the joint development of the school parent involvement policy. This will be accomplished through the Parent Advisory Committee, end of school year survey, and SBDM meetings

An annual report will be developed and sent to the parents/guardians, which reports the progress of the school in a variety of areas as mandated by state regulations.