



TITLE I HANDBOOK

2023-2024

Brimfield Elementary School

Suffield Elementary School

Purpose

Title I is a federally-funded program designed to help qualified students achieve proficiency on Ohio's academic achievement standards. Our district offers a Targeted Assistance Program for students identified for service. Funding for this program is determined by the percentage of students identified as low-income based on free and reduced lunch counts.

Student Selection

Students qualify for Title I services through a multi-criteria process. Students who are at the most risk of not meeting the state's achievement standards are rank-ordered from greatest to least academic need, and are serviced in that order. Title I services are supplemental to regular classroom instruction. Students do not need to meet any economic requirements in order to be serviced through Title I. In addition, eligible students at participating private schools are provided with Title I services paid for by the district.

Service Model

The Title I students are served in a variety of ways, including push-in (Title I teacher joins the classroom for support), pull-out (Title I students work with the Title I teacher or Tutor in a small-group setting outside of the classroom). All of this service occurs in addition to the regular classroom instruction.

Multi-Criteria Items Used for Title I Selection

- MAP Score Percentile Rank
- Acadience Score
- RAN (Rapid Automatic Naming) Fluency
- Nonsense Word Assessment
- Family History of Reading Difficulty
- Reading Improvement Plan Status
- Classroom Performance
- Academic Referral to RTI
- Excessive Absences
- English Learner Status

*Not all items are used in every grade-level or subject area.

The Science of Reading

The Field Local Schools reading program is designed around the science of reading, which includes specific instruction in phonological awareness, phonics, reading fluency, vocabulary acquisition, and reading comprehension. The district uses the following materials in its core reading instructional program, Journeys, Geodes, Heggerty Phonemic Awareness, and Foundations by Wilson Language.

Title I Teacher

Maria Beech, Brimfield & Suffield

Title I Tutors

Samantha Ganzer, Brimfield

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Parent's Right to Know

You have the right to know the professional qualifications of the Title I teachers who instruct your child:

- Whether the Ohio Department of Education has licensed or qualified the teacher for the grades and subjects he or she teaches.
- Whether the Ohio Department of Education has decided that the teacher can teach in a classroom without being licensed or qualified under the state regulations because of special circumstances.
- The teacher's college major, whether the teacher has any advanced degrees and, if so, the subject of the degrees.

If you would like to receive any of this information, please contact the Title I Coordinator.

Title I - Parent Involvement

Parents are invited to be a part of every child's educational experience, including the Title I Program.

Attend Title I Parent Meetings & Family Nights

- Invitations to parent meetings are sent to parents of Title I Students
- Parent Meetings or Family Nights include ideas for how you can support your child's academic success at home.

Sign and Follow the Title I Parent Compact

- Parent Compacts are shared at the beginning of Title I service each year.
- A copy of the compact is available using this link
 - [Title I Parent Compact](#)

Communicate with your Child's Teacher

- Use the contact information shared by the classroom teacher/Title I teacher to ask questions or share information with the school personnel about your child's success or struggles.
- Attend parent/teacher conferences.

Encourage Reading in your Household

- Read with your child regularly.
- Play word games with your child.
- Ask your child questions about what they are reading (who, what, when, where, why).

Complete Title I Parent Surveys

- Parent surveys are sent via e-mail at the end of the school year.
- Other Title I surveys may be sent periodically throughout the year.

Visit the Title I page on the Field Local Schools website for more resources.

<https://www.fieldlocalschools.org/bes/title-i-services>

