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Title I Information for Kinneelon Public Schools

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A Brief History of Title I

- Largest federal assistance program for our public schools
- Became law under President Johnson within the Elementary and Secondary Education Act (ESEA), 1965
- Major Programmatic Overhauls
 - Education Consolidation and Improvement Act (ECIA), 1981
 - Improving America's Schools Act (IASA), 1994
 - No Child Left Behind Act (NCLB), 2001
 - Every Student Succeeds Act (ESSA), 2015

Objectives of Title I

- **Close achievement gaps** between students who are economically disadvantaged (and, according to research, more likely to struggle academically) and those who are not
- **Provide supplemental funding** to assist district develop initiatives to bring parity to students
- **To help struggling students** access the NJ Student Learning Standards and our rigorous curricula to increase student performance

Targeted Assistance vs School-wide Support

- Two types of Title I assistance:
 - Targeted Assistance (<40% poverty)
 - School-wide (\geq 40%)
- All schools are Targeted Assistance
 - Targeted Assistance requires the school district to use multiple measures of data to identify students who are in need of academic support
- No Kinnelon school qualifies for school-wide support

Qualified Students versus Served Students

- Districts and schools qualify for Title I based on the amount of economically disadvantaged students who live in the district.
 - The amount of Title I funding a district qualifies for is based on Census data and poverty rates
 - Schools qualify by the amount of Free and Reduced Lunch applications received by October 15.
- Served students are not necessarily economically disadvantaged;
- Significantly fewer than 40% of Kinnelon residents students are economically disadvantaged
- All schools - Kiel, Stonybrook, PRM and KHS - qualified for Targeted Assistance funding this year.

How Targeted Assistance Students Qualify

- Teachers and administrators are required to use data from multiple measures and seek data *triangulation* to determine if a student qualifies for Targeted Assistance, including:
 - Benchmark ELA and Math assessments (school- or third party vendor-created)
 - Teacher-created assessments
 - Class or course grades
 - Teacher, Counselor, I&RS or Parent recommendation
 - Standardized test data (i.e., PARCC)

How Title I Money Is Spent

- Budget begins in the winter based on school needs and past performance
- Approved by KBOE, MCDoE, NJDoE
- While Title I represents less than 0.1% of KPSD's total budget, they help with:
 - Salaries for teachers working at extended day programs
 - Professional development for staff
 - The purchase of additional instructional materials including books and supplies, computers, software, websites to support the identified population

Parental Rights and Responsibilities

- Parents of students who qualify for Title I services have the right to...
 - Be notified when their child is identified for Supplemental Support
 - Be informed about the program in an annual meeting
 - Be informed about the Parent/Student/School Compact, which is located on kinnelonpublicschools.org under *Departments>Title 1*
 - Refuse Title I services at any time.
 - Be notified if their child is recommended for exit by the instructional staff
- All identified Title I students are automatically exited at the end of the year. Title I identification is not permanent.

For More Information

- Call your student's guidance counselor or principal
- Dr. Tufaro's Contact Information
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- District Title I Website: <http://www.kinnelonpublicschools.org>, *Departments>Title I*
 - This presentation will be available online on <http://www.kinnelonpublicschools.org> under *Departments>Title I*.
- NJDoE Office of Title I: (<http://www.state.nj.us/education/title1>)
- Federal Office of Title I: (<http://www2.ed.gov/programs/titleiparta/index.html>)

