

United Township, District #30 NCLB Title I and Title II Program Information

What is Title I?

No Child Left Behind - Title I is a federally funded program whose purpose is to ensure that all children have a fair, equal, and significant opportunity to obtain a high quality education. UTHS qualifies to be a School-wide Program so that all students benefit from the funding. Title I allows students, who are experiencing academic difficulty, to receive extra help and individual attention during the school day or in extended day or year programs (after-school or summer school).

Who Funds Title I?

The federal government funds Title I. The federal funding is based on the free and reduced lunch program.

Parents Right-To-Know The NCLB Act of 2001 says the parents of children in Title I schools have the right to request information regarding the qualifications of any teacher that is instructing their child. You may request, in writing, the information regarding the following:

- Whether or not the teacher has met state certification requirements
- Whether or not the teacher is teaching under emergency or provisional status;
- The bachelor's degree major of the teacher, any other certifications or degrees held by the teacher and the subject areas of the certification or degrees; and
- Whether your child is provided services by teacher aides/paraprofessionals and, if so, their qualifications

Class Size Reduction Report to Parents and Community Members

United Township, District #30 has used NCLB Title II funds for several years to reduce class size.

The Steven's Amendment

In compliance with the Steven's Amendment, the federal government has given Title I and II monies to United Township, District #30 to support their local programs. Anyone interested in acquiring more information as to how these monies are targeted or spent should contact us at 309-752-1600.

NCLB Title I Parental Involvement Procedures

I. Definitions

"Parental Involvement" - The term parental involvement means the participation of parents in regular, two-way, and meaningful communication involving student academic learning and other school activities, including ensuring that parents play an integral role in assisting their child's learning, that parents are encouraged to be actively involved in their child's education, that parents are full partners in their child's education and are included, as appropriate, in decision-making and on advisory committees to assist in the education of their child.

II. General Expectations

United Township High School District 30 believes that parental involvement is important to the establishment of an educational environment that encourages high student academic achievement.

- A. United Township High School District 30 will put into operation programs, activities and procedures for the involvement of parents in all of its schools with Title I, Part A programs, consistent with section 1118 of the Elementary and Secondary Education Act (ESEA). Those programs, activities and procedures will be planned and operated with meaningful consultation with parents of participating children.
- B. United Township High School District 30 will incorporate this district-wide Title I parental involvement procedure into its educational plan.
- C. In carrying out the Title I, Part A parental involvement requirements, to the extent practicable, United Township High School District 30 will provide full opportunities for the participation of parents with limited English proficiency, parents with disabilities and parents of migratory children, including providing information and school reports required under section 1111 of the ESEA in an understandable and uniform format and including alternative formats upon request and, to the extent practicable, in language parents understand.

III. Implementation Activities

- A. *District-Wide Title I Parent Involvement Plan*: United Township High School District 30 will jointly develop a district-wide parental involvement plan with parents by meeting regularly with a cross-section of parents. The representatives will be encouraged to take information back to their respective members for input.
- B. *School Parent Involvement Activities to Increase Achievement*: United Township High School District 30 will continue to provide the necessary coordination, technical assistance and other support to assist our schools in planning and implementing effective parental involvement activities to improve student academic achievement and school performance.
- C. *Building Capacity for Parental Involvement*: United Township High School District 30 will continue its current efforts to build the schools' and parents' capacity for strong parental involvement, in order to ensure effective involvement of parents and to support a partnership among Title I, Part A schools.

IV. District-wide Parental Involvement Policy Components In order to build parents' capacity for involvement in the schools and to support their children's academic achievement, United Township High School District 30 will continue its efforts to:

- A. Maximize parental involvement and participation in their children's education.
- B. Encourage school meetings to be held at a variety of times.
- C. Adopt and implement model approaches to improve parental involvement.
- D. Develop appropriate roles for community-based organizations and businesses in parental involvement activities, and find ways to identify and integrate resources and services from the community to strengthen school programs, family practices, and student learning and development.