

Title One

NewsLetter

Central School 2022-2023

What is Title One?

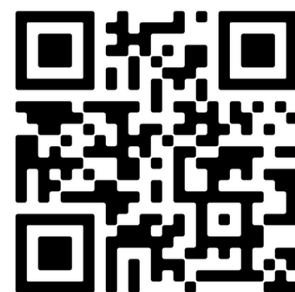
As a parent of a school-aged child, you have no doubt heard about the **Every Student Succeeds Act (ESSA)** and would like to understand what it means – especially the benefits it offers you and your child. On December 10, 2016, ESSA was signed into law. ESSA includes provisions that will help to ensure success for students and schools. Below are just a few.

- Advances equity by upholding critical protections for America's disadvantaged and high-need students.
- Requires – for the first time – that all students in America be taught in high academic standards that will prepare them to succeed in college and careers.
- Ensures that vital information is provided to educators, families, students, and communities through annual statewide assessment that measure students' progress toward those high standards.
- Helps to support and grow local innovations – including evidence-based and place-based interventions developed by local leaders and educators – consistent with our Investing in Innovation and Promise Neighbors. 57
- Maintains an expectation that there will be accountability and action to effect positive change in our lowest-performing schools where groups of students are not making progress, and where graduation rates are low over extended periods of time.

In 1965, Congress passed the Elementary and Secondary Education Act (ESEA), providing, for the first time, some federal funding for K-12 education. The original law has been renewed eight times, most recently by ESSA. Title I of ESSA is "Improving the Academic Achievement of the Disadvantaged." **Why is this important to your understanding of ESSA?** Because schools with high concentrations of children from low-income families receive Title I education funds. They receive this money through their states and districts, and more than half of all public schools (55 percent) fall into this category, often called "Title I Schools".



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ESSA empowers you to ask important questions and make informed decisions about your child's education. The law also requires states, districts and schools to develop ways to get parents more involved in their child's education and in improving their child's school.

For example, both Title I districts and schools must have written policies on parental involvement and provide this information to you.

What do I have a right to know about my child's teacher?

ESSA provides funding to help teachers improve their instructional skills through training and other professional development. The law also requires states to develop plans to make sure that all teachers of core academic subjects are highly qualified. It defines a "highly qualified" teacher as one with a bachelor's degree, full state certification, and demonstrated competence for each subject taught. The SRC School District is committed to providing information to you regarding your child's teacher and paraprofessional's qualifications in a timely manner upon request. You have the right to request the following information from your child's school's principal.

- Whether the teacher has met state licensing criteria for the grade levels and subject areas in which the teacher provides instruction.
- Whether the teacher is teaching under emergency or other provisional status through which state qualifications of licensing criteria have been waived.
 - The baccalaureate degree major of the teacher and any other graduate certification or degree held by the teacher, and the field of discipline of the certification of degree.
- Whether your child is provided services by paraprofessionals, and, if so, their qualifications.
 - The achievement level of your child on the FAST (Florida Assessment of Student Thinking)

District Parent Advisory Council!

Two parents are chosen from each Title I school by the school site administrator to serve on the **District Parent Advisory Council (PAC)**. PAC meets three times a year at the Douglas A. Dillion Administrative Complex.

Thank you to our parents who have volunteered to serve on this council for the 2022-2023 school year!

2022-2023 Parent Advisory Council Meetings

September 20, 2022

January 17, 2023

April 11, 2023

