

What is Title 1

The largest federal aid program for our nation's schools

Goal: To provide extra help and instruction for the students who need it most.

The program serves millions of children in elementary and secondary schools as well as children who attend parochial and private schools.

How Title 1 Works: The Federal Government provides funding to states each year.

1. Each state must submit a plan.
 - what are children expected to know
 - the standards of performance that all children are expected to meet
 - ways to measure progress
2. State Educational Agencies send money to school districts based on the number of low-income families.
3. The Local Education Agency (LEA) identifies eligible schools.

The Title 1 School

Works with the LEA (Local Education Agency) to:

1. Identify students most in need of educational help.
2. Set goals for improvement.
3. Develop programs that add to regular classroom instruction.
4. Try to involve parents in all aspects of the program.

Title 1 Programs Generally Offer

1. smaller classes
2. additional teachers and assistants
3. additional training for school staff
4. extra time for instruction
5. a variety of teaching methods and materials

Title 1 teachers and regular teachers work closely together.

Children are selected in several ways

1. In schools with high percentages of children from low-income families, Title 1 programs serving all students may be developed.

2. In other schools, children may be selected based on objective and educationally-related tests, school records, and reports from teachers.

Parents are encouraged to take an active role in Title 1 – You influence your child's education more than any teacher or school. Your involvement can boost your child's achievement! By taking an active role in Title 1, you'll show your child:

1. How important he or she is to you.
2. How important education is to you.
3. That you and the school are a team, working to help children succeed.