# Westmoore Title I Parent Night

August 24, 2022

### What is Title I?

On July 1st, 2017, the Every Student Succeeds Act (ESSA) replaced No Child Left Behind (NCLB) in education. ESSA is the reauthorization of the Elementary and Secondary Education Act (ESEA), which was first signed into law in 1965. The law reaffirms the commitment to equal opportunity for all U.S. students

To support its goals, ESSA authorizes over \$24.5 billion in funding annually for various educational programs. This funding is distributed among the ESSA titles (sections of law that fund different programs) and awarded to school districts through their state education agencies.

programs and ensure economically and socially disadvantaged students receive equal opportunity for access to a quality education. Examples of programs eligible for Title I funding include academic support for low performing students, additional teachers and paraprofessionals that focus on

mathematics and English language arts support, and preschool programs.

The largest funding allocation, Title I, earmarks funds to improve basic

# How can I get involved?

Parents, you can influence the success of your student in school more than any teacher or federal program. By becoming an active participant in the Title I parent involvement plan at your school, you will:

- Serve as a role model, showing your student that you support his/her education.
- Assure that you are aware of your student's educational progress; thereby demonstrating how important that progress is to you.
- Teach your student that your input at the school is appreciated and that you support our efforts.

## How are our Title I dollars spent?

#### At Westmoore, Title I dollars help provide:

- Books for students in the classroom and the media center
- Math manipulatives for students to use in class and at home
- Programs, plays, and field trips for students
- PBIS funding
- Extra funding for handbooks and materials that go home to our families
- Technology support materials
- An Instructional Assistant position in 3rd Grade

#### What does research tell us?

Research shows that how well students do in school depends a great deal upon how much their parents get involved in their education. You can become more involved by:

- Joining local and national school/parent organizations like PTA
- Sharing your input at parent meetings like PAC (Parent Advisory Council)
- Supporting school extra-curricular activities
- Volunteering at the school
- Attending parent-teacher conferences
- Communicating with your student's teacher regularly, by writing notes, telephoning the school, emailing, linking to class Dojo, etc.
- Keeping your student's teacher informed about events in his or her life which may affect his/her performance at school
- Discussing with your student's teacher and parent organizations other ideas for parent involvement

Please be sure to send any comments or suggestions about our Title I Parent & Family Engagement Policy to this <u>link</u>.

Share your comments or feedback anytime with Mrs. Hussey at this <u>link</u>.