

Title I Services in the Brentwood Borough School District

The Brentwood Borough School District operates three Title I intervention programs under the No Child Left Behind Act of 2001.

The *Title I Early Intervention Reading Program* provides supplemental reading instruction to eligible Kindergarten, first, second, and third grade students. Title I students meet five days per week in the Title I room. Mrs. Mary Ann McSwigan instructs early intervention students at Elroy Elementary School. Mrs. Lindsay Vinay instructs students at both Moore and Elroy Elementary Schools. Both teachers are certified reading specialists.

In addition, The Brentwood Borough School District operates a *Title I Reading and Math Summer School Program* for first through fifth graders and a *Title I Before School Reading and Math Program* for students in grades three through five.

In order to ensure that the Title I program is effective in meeting the needs of the students in our community, the Brentwood Borough School District, with input from a panel of Title I parents, has developed the following policies for parental involvement in these federally funded early intervention programs:

- Convene an annual meeting for Title I parents to inform them of their participation in Title I, the parent involvement requirements, and their rights to be involved
- Involve parents in an organized, ongoing, and timely way, in the planning, review, and improvement of programs under Title I
- Provide Title I parents timely information about Title I programs
- Encourage parents to participate in decision-making involving their child
- Respond to suggestions as soon as possible
- Build parental capacity for involvement by explaining state academic achievement standards, state and local assessments and how to monitor their child's progress and work with educators to improve their child's achievement
- Provide materials and training to help parents work with children
- Educate teachers, principals, pupil services personnel, and other staff of the value of working with parents
- Coordinate parent involvement programs with Head Start and other service organizations
- Provide information to parents in a format and language they can understand
- Provide necessary literacy training to parents
- Hold meetings at a variety of times and provide information to parents who are unable to attend meetings
- Establish a district-wide Parent Advisory Council

Questions about the Title I Early Intervention program should be directed to Mr. Robert P. Monaghan, federal programs coordinator, at: monaghanr@brentwoodpgh.k12.pa.us.