

What Parents Need to Know About Title 1

- Title 1 at the federal level
 - A government funded program in which students who struggle in the areas of literacy will have access to additional support and resources during the school day
- Title 1 Program here at Canadochly
 - Supplements the Core Curriculum (taught in homeroom)
 - In most cases, it is a pull out program with students in small groups of 6 students or less. *Mrs. Hedges does push into the 5th grade DaVinci rotation with Mrs. Crumling, Mrs. Kessler's ELA block, and Mrs. Winter's 3rd grade ELA block.*
 - Primary Grades - phonics, phonemic awareness, fluency, comprehension and written response
 - Intermediate Grades - fluency, comprehension and written response (RACE, SA and TDA)
- Core Curriculum - taught by homeroom teachers
 - Designed, written and edited to align with the PA Common Core
 - Instruction that follows a hybrid approach - Direct, Collaborative & Independent stations
 - 4 Modules = Marking Periods
 - Consistent at all 3 elementary buildings
- How your child qualified for Title 1 services
 - Spring AIMSweb assessments
 - Teacher recommendations
 - Spring ELA PSSA score for students currently in 4th and 5th grade (Basic or Below Basic automatically qualifies a student for services)
 - A student can be added to our roster at any point in the school year. This will occur after there have been discussions with the homeroom teacher, IST teacher and Title 1 teachers voicing concerns about a student's performance in the classroom and any applicable data

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- The assessments we use to qualify students in the spring are:
 - Spring Writing Assessment for **ALL** grades
 - Kindergarten - Letter Naming Fluency, Letter Sound Fluency, Phoneme Segmentation and Word Reading
 - First Grade - Oral Reading Fluency, Word Reading Fluency, Running Records
 - Second, Third and Fourth Grades - Oral Reading Fluency, Reading Comprehension and Vocabulary
 - *There is not a Title 1 Reading Program in the Middle School, so although we assess our 5th graders to show growth for our own records, their scores will not qualify them for extra services once they leave Canadochly*
- Activities you can do *at home* to help your child improve their literacy skills
 - READ on a regular basis
 - Check out the local public libraries in Hallam and Red Lion if you and your child are looking for an extensive selection of literature
 - Expand your child's vocabulary by reading a variety of genres
 - Practice writing in any way that you can. Have your child write the grocery list, type an email, write a letter, etc.
 - Have conversations with your child. Ask them questions that require more than a simple one word answer.
- How can you be involved with the Title 1 program *at school*?
 - Ask your child what they are working on in their small reading group.
 - What are you reading now? What genre is it?
 - What skills and strategies are you learning about?
 - Explain the project you are currently working on.
 - Attend family events (1-2 per school year)
 - Attend parent-teacher conferences
 - Look over the Progress Report that we send home at the end of each marking period.
 - Contact your child's Title 1 teacher with any questions or concerns that you have. You can reach us through email (Mrs. Hedges - khedges@easternyork.net or Miss Krepps - kkrepps@easternyork.net), Class DoJo messages and/or calling the school.