Pike County School Corporation

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July 17, 2026

Sign Page & Return to Teacher

Dear PCSC Parent/Guardian,

Welcome to the 2026-2027 Pike County School Corporation Title I Program. As a federally f[illegible]ed program, we are required to provide you with the following information *and* collect documentation that you [illegible]eceived this information.

- Home-School Compact
- Parent Involvement Policy (School & District)
  - (Optional) Parent Advisory Committee information
- Parents' Right-to-Know Letter
- Title I Program Information & Additional Parent Information

To acknowledge that you have received the information listed above, as part of registration and via email, **please sign and date this paper before returning it to the school.**

Should you have additional questions or concerns, please contact me using the information below

Sincerely,

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*** PLEASE COMPLETE and RETURN TO THE SCHOOL ***

By signing, I acknowledge that I have received and reviewed the information listed above.

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Parent/Guardian Signature **Date**

_____ Circle: WES or PES

Student Name Grade Teacher

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Dear PCSC Parent/Guardian:

Each year we receive Federal Title I grant funds, based on the completion of Applications for Educational Benefits (Free/Reduced application). We use this funding to provide additional support to students within our elementary schools.

Within our Schoolwide Programs, we are able to use Title I funding to serve all children and ensure that all staff, resources, and classes are part of the overall program. A student selection process is not required, though guardians must still complete our parent-school compact and return the signed acknowledgement page. **To provide resources and opportunities to 100% of students, we need 100% completion of the signature page included in this packet.** If you have any questions or concerns about Title I or how the funding will be used to support your child, please reach out.

Title I funding within Petersburg and Winslow Elementary Schools will be used to support high quality instruction, evidence-based strategies, and engagement of all families to improve the achievement of all children, with additional services offered to students who are most at-risk of falling behind grade-level standards. If your child is struggling, Title I instructional assistants will be working with your child, under the direction of the classroom teacher and reading and math specialists, on specific skills identified as areas of weakness. This additional assistance will in no way interfere with your child's normal class schedule, but instead provides them the opportunity to work one-on-one or within small groups to target specific areas of weakness. If you would like to speak to someone regarding your child's academic progress, please contact your child's school or his or her classroom teacher.

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TITLE 1 HOME-SCHOOL COMPACT

The Mission of the Pike County School Corporation is to provide all students with a quality education that encourages them to become successful citizens.

TEACHERS AND TITLE 1 STAFF

- We, the teachers and Title 1 staff, promise to prepare exciting, motivating lessons using curriculum and instruction that meets the state's student academic achievement standards.
- We, the teachers and Title 1 staff, promise to coordinate lessons with the classroom teachers that will reinforce and provide many different ways for your child to learn the skills necessary to be successful in his/her grade.
- We, the teachers and Title 1 staff, promise to keep you regularly informed through home-school communication on your child's progress, positive growth, and problems that may occur through our observations.
- We, the teachers and Title 1 staff, promise to encourage parent involvement by providing family activities each year and involving parents in evaluating policies, programs, and activities.
- We, the teachers and Title 1 staff, promise to be available for individual Parent Teacher Conferences to be held at parent/teacher request. In addition, we will send the Home-School Compact home for signature prior to the parent information night. The compact is discussed and questions are answered during this event.
- We, the teachers and Title 1 staff, promise to include parents whenever possible in classroom activities. We encourage all parents/guardians of Title 1 students to be involved in the school PTO, volunteer to chaperone field trips, or be available to help classroom teachers, as needed. All reasonable requests by parents to volunteer in classrooms will be considered.

PARENTS

- We, the parents, promise to help our child develop a positive attitude about school by ensuring she/he attends school regularly and misses school only when absolutely necessary. We are also aware of the attendance policy at our school.
- We, the parents, promise our child will be well rested and on time for school. We also promise to promote a positive use of extracurricular time.
- We, the parents, promise to check our child's backpack or folder daily for school work and information and return as indicated.
- We, the parents, promise to regularly communicate the importance of education by encouraging our child's efforts in school and keeping the school staff informed of events that may interfere with our child's learning.
- We the parents promise to participate with our child in parent involvement activities each year.

STUDENT

- I, the student, will attend school regularly.
- I, the student, will cooperate with classmates and follow class and school rules.
- I, the student, will complete my work on time.
- I, the student, will listen and follow directions.
- I, the student, will be responsible for taking home and returning school papers and books.

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TITLE 1 PROGRAM

How does PCSC use Title I Funding?

The Title I program at Petersburg and Winslow Elementary Schools provides early intervention programs, such as Preschool and K-5 remediation.

PRESCHOOL

Children in Pike County, who will be four-years-old on or before August 1 each year, can participate in a free early childhood screening, held each spring. The screenings consist of developmental skills, speech, and behavior/socialization skills. Scores from this screening session are used to evaluate students for this program. Enrollment in this program is limited and invitations are sent to those with the most assessed need.

REMEDIATION & INTERVENTION

Remediation and intervention programming is used for students in kindergarten through fifth grade who are at enhanced risk for not meeting grade level academic standards. Qualified Title I Paraprofessionals are utilized to provide classroom and pull-out instruction to individuals or small groups of students, who need extra help in math and/or reading. The teachers and paraprofessionals work together to provide this additional academic support. Reading and Math Specialists are also utilized to provide targeted, evidence-based interventions and resources to struggling students.

OTHER TITLE I ACTIVITIES

Family literacy activities are held every year to bring families and Title I staff together. Activities or programs for families of Title I students are planned with helpful information available for parents. These activities increase the success of students and build a strong connection between home and school.

FAMILY ENGAGEMENT

How can parents get involved?

- Parent/Student/Teacher Compact (Contract). This is an agreement by parents, teachers, and students, detailing the shared responsibilities needed for improved student achievement.
- Attend Family Night with your child and utilize the provided resources to help your child succeed.
- Participate as a Parent Advisory Committee Member. These members evaluate Title I programs and can be actively involved in the Title I Program.
- Read with your child.

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TITLE 1 PARENT AND FAMILY ENGAGEMENT

Pike County School Corporation intends to follow the parental policy guidelines in accordance with the Every Student Succeeds Act of December 15, 2015. We will distribute this policy to all parents of students participating in our Title 1 program and make it available on our website.

District Guidelines

Pike County School Corporation will involve parents in jointly developing the district's Title 1 plan by working with and listening to parents involved in various school committees. The Title 1 Parent Advisory committee evaluates current Title 1 policies and procedures and provides input on program improvements.

PCSC Technology Department will provide assistance by updating school websites and providing current educational technology.

PCSC will build the capacity of our schools' and parents' to engage in strong parental involvement by:

a. Providing information to parents during an annual Title 1 information night. We will discuss the home-school compact, academic standards, and academic programs.
b. Providing computer learning games, web links, scholastic books and tips for how parents can help their children be successful in school during the annual Title 1 information night.
c. Provide opportunities for parents to become a part of school committees and organizations. PTO, Title 1 Parent Advisory Committee, and others that may arise throughout a school year.
d. Provide families with resources to help them reach out to teachers to create open communication and work together to support academic success.
e. Providing teachers and staff with professional development opportunities to communicate the importance of parent involvement in each school.
f. Providing parents with information related to school and parent programs, meetings and activities in a variety of ways. School newsletters, memos sent home with students, updated website information, and newspaper articles are effective modes of communication used by each school.

PCSC will continue to work with the local Head Start program to coordinate and integrate parental involvement strategies.

PCSC will conduct, with involvement from parents, an annual evaluation of the content and effectiveness of the parental involvement policy. All Title 1 parents are sent a letter encouraging their participation as an advisory member. A meeting is held for parents to review and evaluate the home-school compact, school parent involvement policies, and LEA parent involvement policy.

Expectations for Parent Involvement

Pike County School Corporation will provide parents of participating students with frequent and convenient opportunities for ongoing participation in the Title 1 program, including the development of the Title 1, Support, and Improvement plans. Parents are encouraged to use the attached Parent Information sheet and contact information to reach out to school officials with any questions or concerns that may arise throughout the school year.

School Policy

Each PCSC school will submit its Title 1 school parent and family engagement policy, which must meet all legal requirements. This policy must be developed jointly with and distributed by the school to parents of participating students. The policy will be updated annually.

A copy of each school's parent involvement policy shall be kept on file, along with the school's Title I program plan in the PCSC Central Administrative Office.

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TITLE I PROGRAM
PARENT ADVISORY COMMITTEE
CONTACT FORM

This Committee will:

- Meet to discuss and review our current Title I programs
- Review Title I documentation (home-school compact, family engagement policies, etc.)
- Be encouraged to express ideas and opinions about our Title I programs.

If you are interested, please sign-up by following the link below and completing the short form. I will contact you with more information at a later date. If you have further questions, please contact me using the information below.

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Parent Advisory Committee Sign-Up Link:

https://bit.ly/TitleOneParentComm

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TITLE I PARENT INFORMATION

The Indiana Department of Education website offers extensive information regarding the education of Indiana students, including Title I. For additional Title I information and resources, please visit:
https://www.in.gov/doe/grants/title-i/

For information specific to Pike County School Corporation's Title I program, please visit our website:
pcsc.k12.in.us

If you have any questions, concerns, or complaints regarding the Title 1 program, please feel free to contact a school official at any time using the contact information below.

Petersburg Elementary
Mrs. Melissa Pancake—Principal
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Mr. Ryne Biesterveld—Assistant Principal
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Winslow Elementary
Mrs. Mindy Keeker —Principal
812-789-2209
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Central Office
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PARENTS' RIGHT-TO-KNOW

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Dear PCSC Parent/Guardian:

In accordance with the Elementary and Secondary Education Act, Section 1111(h)(6), this is a notification from Pike County School Corporation to every parent of a student in a Title I school. You have the right to request and receive information in a timely manner regarding the professional qualifications of your student's classroom teachers.

Additionally, if at any time your student has been taught for four or more consecutive weeks by a classroom teacher that is not highly qualified, you will be notified by the school of this information.

If you have questions or concerns, please feel free to contact the principal at your child's school.

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TITLE I COMPLAINT PROCEDURE

Section 128 of Public Law 95-561 states that each local education agency receiving funds under Title 1 shall develop and disseminate written procedures for the resolution of complaints made to the agency by parent advisory councils, parents, teachers or other concerned organizations or individuals concerning violation of this act.

Pursuant to this section the following procedures are hereby established by the Pike County School Corporation:

1. Any parent, parent organization, or other concerned organization or individual who is, or are aggrieved on violations or suspected violations of P.L. 95-561 by Title 1 personnel or program, or regulations pertaining to Title 1, may request a hearing or an investigation of their complaints in writing to the Director of the Title 1 Program, Pike County School Corporation. Within 10 days a response to the complaint in writing indicating resolution to the complaint will be made.

2. If the response from the Pike County School Corporation's Director of Title 1 services is not satisfactory to the complainant, the parent, individual, or organization, within 5 days, they may make a request for a hearing or investigation of the complaint by the Superintendent of Schools or his designee who in turn will hold a hearing or investigate and respond within 10 days of receipt of written complaint indicating resolution or decision.

3. If the response is still not satisfactory to the complainant, the parent, individual or organization may appeal the final resolution or decision to the Indiana Department of Education's Title Grants and Support division within 30 days of receipt of the written resolution or decision.

Contact information for the state Title 1 Office is:

Indiana Department of Education
Director of Title Grants and Support
South Tower, Suite 600
115 W. Washington Street
Indianapolis, IN 46204

4. In each of the foregoing steps, the complainant and/or complainant's representative will be provided the opportunity to present evidence including an opportunity to question parties involved.

5. Information concerning these procedures will be on file at the Administration Building and in each building principal's office. Copies will also be provided each member of the Parent Advisory Council and will be available on request to interested parties.

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