

Belleville Public Schools Title I Community Night

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Community Agreements



AUDIO

Please place your microphone on mute during the presentation.



QUESTIONS

Add questions in the chat. We will address them in the order they are received.



EQUITY

Everyone will have a voice in this meeting.



CONDUCT

Speak respectfully and share learning-centered ideas.

Tonight's Conversation



Demystifying Title I

Understanding the federal foundation and funding mechanisms.



Belleville's Schoolwide Approach

How we leverage funds to elevate the entire educational program.



Parent Partnership

Transitioning from parental rights to active daily roles.



Tools & Resources

Arming you with links and surveys to shape our future.

What Is Title I?

Federal support designed to elevate student achievement.



Federal Funding & Support

Title I provides federal funding to help schools strengthen academic supports, instruction, and family engagement.



ESSA Resources

Under ESSA, schools use these resources to improve outcomes for students who need the most support.

Why Belleville Uses a Schoolwide Approach

A schoolwide model strengthens systems, instruction, and supports for every learner.

Targeted-Assistance Model

CRITERIA

Strict two-part eligibility.

WHO RECEIVES SERVICES?

Only individually identified students who meet both socioeconomic and academic criteria.

Limitation: *Support is limited to a specific subset of students.*

Schoolwide Model

THE BELLEVILLE CHOICE

CRITERIA

Qualifying school factors allow for systemic upgrades.

WHO RECEIVES SERVICES?

All children in the school receive services and additional assistance.

Advantage: Strengthens the entire educational ecosystem for every student.

How a Schoolwide Program Supports Success

Student achievement grows when these areas work together.



INSTRUCTIONAL UPGRADES

High-quality teaching, targeted intervention, and data-informed decisions support student learning.



FAMILY & COMMUNITY PARTNERSHIP

Families and schools share responsibility for each child's academic growth.

Tracking Your Child's Academic Journey

Stay connected to the information that guides instruction.



SCHOOL CURRICULUM

Ongoing updates on learning goals and grade-level expectations.



CHILD PROFICIENCY

Understanding progress toward state standards.



ASSESSMENT MEASURES

Information about academic progress and performance.



PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT

Teacher learning that strengthens classroom instruction.

Your Rights and Important Notifications

Families receive information that supports informed partnership.



PARENT RIGHT-TO-KNOW

Information about the professional qualifications of your child's teachers.



ENGLISH LEARNER NOTIFICATION

Timely notice when a student qualifies for language support.



PARENT INVOLVEMENT POLICY

A shared guide for meaningful family participation.



SCHOOL-PARENT COMPACT

A clear outline of our shared responsibilities for student success.

Family Engagement Is a Continuing Conversation

Meaningful engagement is regular, two-way, and connected to learning.



AT HOME

Support Daily Learning

Ask about school, review learning goals, and encourage consistent routines.



AT SCHOOL

Build Strong Partnerships

Share questions, attend events, and collaborate with teachers and school leaders.

Moving From Notification to Active Partnership

Student success is strongest when families are active partners.



INTEGRAL ROLE

Support at Home

Families play a fundamental role in their child's education.



ACTIVE INVOLVEMENT

Collaborate & Advocate

Participation, feedback, and advocacy help shape the school experience.

High-Impact Habits for Home

Small, consistent actions can make a meaningful difference.



READ TOGETHER

Make reading part of the daily routine.



ASK AND LISTEN

Talk with your child about learning and grades.



STAY CONNECTED

Contact teachers when questions arise.



SUPPORT ROUTINES

Check homework and encourage on-time attendance.



JOIN IN

Attend PTO/PTA meetings and school events.



ADVOCATE

Share your ideas and feedback.

The Belleville Formula for Student Success



**Federal
Title I Funds**



**Belleville
Schoolwide
Upgrades**



**Your Active
Daily
Partnership**



**Every Student
Meeting
Challenging
Academic
Standards**

Your Digital Toolkit for Family Engagement

Use these resources to stay informed and connected.



NEW JERSEY RESOURCES



- NJDOE Title I Information
- School, Family, and Community Engagement
- NJDOE Family Portal
- Parent Link for Spanish-Speaking Families



BELLEVILLE RESOURCES



- Belleville Public Schools Title I Information
- Intervention and support for students and families
- Working together to succeed



Scan the QR codes above with your smartphone to access these resources instantly.

Your Voice Shapes Our Title I Program

Your feedback helps us improve support for students and families.



PARENT SURVEY

Step 1

Complete the Title I Parent and Family Engagement Survey.

[Parent & Family Survey](#)



EVALUATION & FEEDBACK

Step 2

Complete the Parent Evaluation of the Title I Program.

[Parent Evaluation of Programs](#)

Please share any remaining questions before you leave.