

Western Rockingham Middle School

**915 Ayersville Rd
Madison, NC 27025**



**Title I Parent Involvement
Handbook
2026-2027**

“Home of the Wildcats”



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Dear Parents and Guardians,

It is both an honor and a privilege to serve as the principal of Western Rockingham Middle School. I am excited to join a school community with a longstanding tradition of academic excellence, strong family engagement, and outstanding community support. Western Rockingham Middle School has built a reputation for success through the dedication of its students, staff, parents, and community partners. I look forward to working alongside all of you as we continue to build on that strong foundation and create even greater opportunities for our students.

Western Rockingham Middle School is a Title I school. Through federal Title I funding, we are able to provide additional resources, instructional materials, programs, and personnel that support student learning and achievement. This school year, our primary focus areas will be Reading, Mathematics, and Student Engagement. With the continued support of our families and the resources made possible through Title I funding, we are committed to ensuring that every student has the tools and opportunities needed to grow, achieve, and succeed.

Your partnership is essential to your child's success. We encourage you to stay connected with teachers, attend conferences, and regularly monitor Canvas and Infinite Campus. Taking time to discuss school, review assignments, and celebrate successes shows your child that education matters. When families and schools work together, students thrive.

Thank you for your continued support of your child and Western Rockingham Middle School. I am excited about the year ahead and look forward to partnering with you to make it a successful and rewarding experience for all students.

Sincerely,

David Edrington
David Edrington, Principal

Title I Schools – Working Together to Make a Difference

Purpose of Title I

Title I, Part A (Title I) of the Elementary and Secondary Education Act, provides financial assistance to school districts and schools with high numbers or high percentages of children from low-income families to help ensure that all children meet challenging state academic standards. There are many components of Title I and one that we believe makes a significant difference is parental involvement. By parent, we are referring to a natural parent, a legal guardian or other person responsible for the child's welfare.

Making a Difference

Parental involvement has always been a centerpiece of Title I. Parental involvement is defined as the participation of parents in regular, two-way, and meaningful communication involving student academic learning and other school activities, ensuring:

- that parents play an integral role in assisting their child's learning;
- that parents are encouraged to be actively involved in their child's education at school;
- that parents are full partners in their child's education and are included, as appropriate, in decision making and on advisory committees to assist in the education of their child

Families have a significant influence on their child's achievement in school and in life. When we take a team approach by including schools, families, and community groups to support learning, children tend to do better in school, stay in school longer, and like school more. Studies have found that students with involved parents, no matter what their income or background, are more likely to:

- earn high grades and test scores, and enroll in higher-level programs.
- pass their classes, earn credits, and be promoted.
- attend school regularly.
- graduate and go on to postsecondary education.

Through Title I programming, we offer resources for parents in supporting student learning at both the district and school level. Please continue to work with your child's school to support his/her needs. In addition, we offer services through our Parent Resource Centers. Contact information for these centers is located below. We hope you will take advantage of the opportunity to be the key to your child's success.

More information about the RCS Title I policies and procedures is also available by visiting <https://www.rock.k12.nc.us/page/title-i>

References and more information regarding Title I and/or Parental Involvement can be located by visiting:

- Rockingham County Schools Parent and Family Engagement Board Policy: <https://boardpolicyonline.com/?b=rock&s=180210>
- <http://www.sedl.org/connections/toolkit/toolkit-titleI-parent-inv.pdf>
- [Federal Programs Handbook](#) (Last updated June 2025)

WRMS Parent Engagement Opportunities 26-27

Throughout the year, we will have opportunities for parents to be involved. The following events are planned, and there will be additional events scheduled as the year progresses. Mark your calendars for the ones that are already scheduled!

August 19, 2026: Annual Open House and Title I meeting

- 4-7 PM
- **Informational Sessions** in the Auditorium at 4:00, 5:00, & 6:00
- Get the student's schedule, walk the schedule, meet teachers, learn about the upcoming year!

October 27, 2026: Report Card Pickup event

- 4-6 PM
- **WRMS Gym**
- Parents can visit with all teachers in one location and receive the first quarter's report card, find out about your child's performance & ask questions

January 5, 2027: 2nd Semester Open House

- 3-5 PM
- **"Walk the schedule"** for the upcoming 2nd semester classes and meet 2nd semester teachers
- Discuss your child's progress in year-long classes

Spring, 2027 (March & April): Family Book Study

- **All students will receive a copy of a book that is TBD**
- Guidance will be sent home for "Family Reading" activities and students can earn prizes.
- This encourages learning together...School, Students, Families!

April, 2027 (specific date TBD): EOG Readiness night

- As time gets closer for EOGs, we will have an informational evening for parents and students so you can help your child be prepared for the EOGs!

Other parent engagement activities and events will be planned! Stay tuned!

Rockingham County Schools

511 Harrington Hwy Eden, North Carolina 27288 Phone 336-627-2600

To: All Parents of Students Enrolled in Title 1 Schools

From: Human Resources Department

Subject: Notification to Parents of Teacher Qualifications

The purpose of this notice is to inform parents of children attending a Title I school of their right to know the professional qualifications of the classroom teachers who instruct their child. As a recipient of these funds, Rockingham County School will provide you with this information in a timely manner if you request it. Specifically, you have the right to request the following information about each of your child's classroom teachers:

- Whether the teacher meets the state qualifications and licensing criteria for the grades and core academic subject he or she teaches.
- Whether the teacher is teaching under emergency or provisional status because of special circumstances.
- The teacher's college major, whether the teacher has any advanced degrees, and their field of discipline of the certification or degree.
- Whether teacher assistants provide services to your child and, if so, their qualifications.

In addition, the law requires that all schools that receive Title 1 funds must provide notification to every parent in the school whose child is being taught for four or more weeks by a teacher that is not "Highly Qualified," regardless of whether or not the teacher is being paid by Title I funds.

Rockingham County Schools is committed to providing instruction for all students and does so by employing the most qualified individuals to teach and support each student in the classroom. If you would like to receive any of the information listed above for your child's teacher, please complete the request form and send in as directed.

Encl.: Teacher/Teacher Assistant Information Request Form

Teacher/Teacher Assistant Information Request Form

Request for Information About Teacher/Teacher Assistant Qualifications

Instructions to Parents:

Please complete this form. Use a separate form for each teacher or teacher assistant. Return the completed form to your school's office or mail to:

Rockingham County Schools, Human Resources Department
511 Harrington Hwy,
Eden, North Carolina 27288

Information will be sent to you within 30 days.

School Name: _____

Name of Teacher: Mr. Mrs. Ms. _____ or

Name of Teacher Assistant: Mr. Mrs. Ms. _____

Grade Level: _____ Subject (if applicable): _____

Name of Parent(s) Requesting Information: _____

Name of Student: _____

Mailing Address (where information is to be sent):

Street Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip Code: _____

Daytime telephone number in case of questions: _____

For district use:

Received by school/date/initials:

Received by HR/date/initials;

Completed by initials/date mailed:

Copy to:

Notes:

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Parent/Teacher/Student Compact

The Title I Program is designed to build and develop a partnership with parents and share the responsibility for developing each student's potential for intellectual, emotional and physical growth.

Parent/Guardian Agreement:

I want my child to succeed. Therefore, I will encourage him/her by doing the following:

- Make sure he/she attends school regularly and on time.
- Monitor homework completion.
- Monitor television watching.
- Volunteer time, materials or services for the school.
- Read with my child.
- Optional goal: _____

Teacher Agreement:

It is important that students achieve therefore I will do the following:

- Provide instruction in a supportive and effective learning environment.
- Provide opportunities for parents to participate in class and observe classroom activities.
- Conference with his/her parents.
- Report progress frequently to his/her parents.
- Be available to his/her parents by letter or by phone: _____
- Optional goal: _____

Student Agreement:

As a student I will take responsibility for my own learning by:

- Completing my assignments as best as I can.
- Following the rules of the school and the classroom.
- Bring all notes and flyers home to parents and telling my parents about events that are planned at the school.
- Optional goal: _____

Parent

Teacher

Student

Date



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Notice of Non-discrimination

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ADA Coordinator

**Dr. Star Norton, Director
of Exceptional Children's Program
(336) 627-2715
sanorton@rock.k12.nc.us**

**Age Discrimination
Other Non-discrimination Laws**

**Mr. Lowell Rogers, Director
of Human Resources Department
(336) 627-2679
jlrogers@rock.k12.nc.us**

Title IX and Boy Scouts

**Dr. Cindy Corcoran, Assistant Superintendent
of Instructional Support Services
(336) 627-2688
ccorcoran@rock.k12.nc.us**

Section 504

**Ms. Amy Wilson, EC Program Specialist,
MTSS/PBIS, 504, and NCSIP Coordinator
(336) 627-2662
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