

Suncoast Elementary School
2023-2024 Title I Annual Meeting
Parent Information Packet

School Parent and Family Engagement Plan (PFEP) Summary

See the last page of this packet. This document is also available electronically on our School Facebook page. This plan is developed with parents and stakeholders to outline school initiatives to provide meaningful engagement for families. This plan also addresses how we include parents and stakeholders as decision-makers. This document is revised annually. For a copy of the School's fully detailed Parent and Family Engagement Plan, contact Magen Schlechter at schlechter_m@hcsb.k12.fl.us.

Parent Engagement: How Can Parents Help?

- Attend school events
- Take attendance seriously
- Send your child to school ready to learn
- Make Time to Talk About School
- Visit the school and its website
- Support homework expectations
- Support organization and study skills
- Get Involved

For information about the Title I Parent Academy, visit:

<https://www.hernandoschools.org/students-families/parent-academy>

Title I School – Parent Compact

The Title I Compact is an agreement developed by school faculty and families. The Compact outlines the roles of students, parents, and teachers/staff as we work together to support students. We encourage you to stay involved in your child's school because a strong partnership between school and home will help us provide the best education possible for your child!

McKinney-Vento Homeless Assistance Act

The McKinney-Vento Homeless Assistance Act is authorized under the Every Student Succeeds Act (ESSA) 2015. It outlines the responsibilities of the Hernando County Public School District

- To accurately identify and serve homeless students in each Hernando County School.
- To understand why Hernando families are homeless and the impact homelessness has on students

For more information, contact our McKinney-Vento Staff

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For information about School Choice, including Home Education, Controlled School Choice, Charter Schools and Magnet programs, contact:

Mrs. Dawn Williams, Supervisor of School Choice Phone: (352) 797-7000 ext. 448

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Medicaid in Schools

From birth through the end of age 18, Florida children are eligible for head to toe coverage through Florida KidCare, even if one or both parents are working. Most families pay nothing at all, and many pay as little as just \$15 or \$20 a month for all children in the household. If you need help qualifying or re-qualifying for benefits please contact: **Nicole Rooney**, Coordinator of Medicaid

Email: Rooney_n@hcsb.k12.fl.us Phone: 352-797-7000 ext. 296

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What is Title I?

Title I is the nation's leading federal program for public schools. The goal of Title I is to help every child receive a high-quality education. Schools qualify for Title I based on economic data for the students served by the school. Title I schools receive additional federal funding to fund programs and activities that improve student achievement. As a Title I school, we work to ensure we

- Provide state-certified teachers;
- Increase student performances; and
- Inform parents of our state assessment results, teacher qualification, and involvement opportunities.

State-Certified Teachers and Your Right to Know

The Every Student Succeeds Act (ESSA) of 2015 requires school districts which receive Title I funding to notify parents of their right to know the professional qualifications of the classroom teachers who instruct their child. As a parent of a student at Suncoast Elementary School, you have the right to know if your child has been assigned or has been taught for four of more consecutive weeks by a teacher who is not state-certified. The Every Student Succeeds Act says a state-certified teacher is one who:

- Has obtained a Bachelor's degree;
- Has demonstrated competency in the subject areas assigned to teach;
- Has obtained full state certification as a teacher or has passed the state teacher licensing examinations; and
- Has not had certification or licensure requirements waived on an emergency, temporary, or provisional basis.

In addition to the state-certified teacher requirement, all paraprofessionals have an Associate's degree or have passed the Para-Pro test.

Please Note: If your child has been taught for four consecutive weeks by someone who is not a state-certified teacher, the school will send home a letter notifying you who is filling the position.

Title I Budget – What do Title I Funds Provide at Our School?

School 2023-2024 Title I Budget: \$381,815.12

Title I Parental Engagement Budget: \$5,834.99

Title I dollars pay for the following programs and resources: Two paraprofessionals, an Additional Specials Teacher, Two Additional ESE Teachers, Accelerated Reader and Reflex Math, and Additional Classroom Resources.

Student Assessment Information

- K-8th grade students are assessed using the new progress monitoring tool, the Florida Assessment of Student Thinking (F.A.S.T.) for English Language Arts and Math
- 4th-8th grade students will be assessed using a B.E.S.T. Writing Assessment
- 7th-grade students take the Florida Civics End of Course Assessment
- 5th and 8th-grade students are assessed using Statewide Science Assessment
- Algebra students take the Florida Algebra End of Course Assessment

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