

Title 1



Improving Your Child's Education

What is Title 1?

Title 1* is the nation's largest federal assistance program for schools. Rockford Elementary School receives Title 1 funds to help plan, operate, and maintain programs that support students and families towards academic success.

The goal of Title 1 is to help ALL children get a high-quality education.

Title 1 schools receive additional funding for additional resources such as: teachers, teaching assistants, research based instructional materials and programs, technology, and instructional supplies.

Title 1 helps students, teachers, and families. The program can help:

- Children do better in school and feel better about themselves.
- Teachers understand the needs and concerns of students and families.
- Parents and families understand their children's strengths and challenges.
- Parents and families be more actively involved in their children's education.

Parent's are an Important Part of the Title 1 Team

- Stay informed about your children's education by promptly reading all notices from the school either received by your child, or text alerts, email, etc.
- Read, discuss, & sign the **School, Parent, & Student Compact** with your child. It states the goals and responsibilities of parents, students, and schools.
- Sign up for text message updates and alerts from Rockford.
- Follow us on Facebook and Twitter.
- Attend as many parent involvement activities and parent PAC meetings as possible.
- Let your voice be heard:
 - Fill out the RES school survey in the spring.
 - If time permits, join our school PTO.



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Family Engagement Policy & School-Parent-Student Compact.

Every year, we meet in the Spring to discuss our Family Engagement Policy and to determine activities for the upcoming year. We also meet to discuss the School-Parent-Student Compact and develop a plan together to ensure we are all on the same page and working as a team to see your child succeed. This is a great opportunity for parents to get involved and make a difference.

* "Title 1" is short for "Title 1, Part A of the Every Student Succeeds Act."

Parent Advisory Council or “PAC” meetings are held at least three times during the school year.

1. The 1st meeting includes an explanation of Title 1, how it supports the math and reading program, and how it connects to the school improvement plan.
2. The 2nd meeting will include a presentation by BCS’s Assessment Supervisor or principal to present the school level data achievement.
3. The 3rd meeting will be based on determining the needs of our school.

Math Curriculum

i-Ready Mathematics is an online program that provides students of all ages with differentiated instruction and supports them on their individual paths to success. It specifically targets the individual needs of your child in order to meet them where they are and help them be more successful. Backed by cutting-edge research on best mathematics learning practices, students gain experience through concrete examples and engaging lessons. It also has a reading component to further enhance your child’s academic success. Your students use i-Ready workbooks in class to provide practice and reinforce skills being taught in class. Additionally, every class has several hand-on math manipulatives that students can use in order to develop a more concrete understanding of various math concepts.

ELA Curriculum

Wit & Wisdom is an English Language Arts curriculum developed by teachers, for teachers. Wit & Wisdom teachers and students experience the joy of reading, writing, and speaking about excellent texts while meeting the rigor of our state standards. Wit & Wisdom shares a common language from Kindergarten through 5th grade. This allows them to continue their education smoothly from one year to the

next as they review and deepen their understanding of ELA skills. W&W utilizes books and novels instead of the traditional textbook in order to place books in students’ hands daily. The ultimate goal of W & W is to help develop and deepen our students’ love of reading.



Testing Measures

- Three times a year, all students take the i-Ready Reading and Math Diagnostic in order to determine where each student is in their learning journey in both subjects. It also allows teachers to determine areas of need for individual students as well as the entire class. Teachers use this information along with classroom performance in order to guide their teaching and determine plans of action.
- State testing is normally given in late April to determine student academic growth in ELA, Math, Science, and Social Studies. Last year, we did not take it due to the CoronaVirus Pandemic. Therefore, we do not have any new school data to share this school year. However, as of now, it is expected that we will take the TCAP test in the Spring once again.

For more Information

Our Title 1 Interventionist, Sheri Garrison, is more than willing to assist you with any questions you may have about this amazing program. Additionally, she can assist you in finding needed materials to assist your child in reaching their academic goals.

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