



Vidalia City School System

Title I—Program Description and Goals

2016-2017

Title I is a federally funded program designed to ensure that all children have a fair, equal, and significant opportunity to obtain a high-quality education and reach, at a minimum, proficiency on challenging state academic standards and state academic assessments. The Title I mission is to ensure that each child reaches proficient and/or distinguished levels on Milestone State Assessments as well as local and national assessments.

Specific goals of the Title I program are to:

- Ensure that high-quality academic assessments, accountability systems, and teacher preparation are aligned with the rigor in State academic standards so that teachers, parents, and administrators can measure the progress against common expectations for student academic achievement.
- Meet the educational needs of any student at risk of failing in school wide programs, low-achieving children in our Nation's highest poverty schools, limited English proficient children, migratory children, children with disabilities, Indian children, neglected or delinquent children and young children in need of reading assistance.
- Close the achievement gap between high performing and low performing students, especially the achievement gaps between minority and non-minority students, and between disadvantaged children and their more advantaged peers.
- Improve and strengthen accountability, teaching, and learning by using State assessment systems to ensure that students are meeting challenging State academic achievement and content standards and increasing achievement overall, but especially for the disadvantaged.
- Provide greater decision making authority and flexibility to schools and teachers in exchange for greater responsibility for student performance.
- Provide children an enriched and accelerated educational program, including the use of school-wide programs or additional services that increase the amount and quality of instructional time.
- Promote school-wide reform and ensure the access of children to effective, researched based instructional strategies and challenging academic content.
- Elevate the quality of instruction by providing staff in participating schools with substantial opportunities for professional development.
- Coordinate services under all parts of this title with each other, with other educational services, and to the extent feasible, with other agencies providing services to you, children and families.
- Afford parents substantial and meaningful opportunities to participate in the education of their children.

Vidalia City Schools with Title I Programs for 2016-2017

Title I School Wide Programs (Address the needs of the entire school)
J.R. Trippe Middle School
Sally D. Meadows Elementary School
J.D. Dickerson Primary School

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