

Emails/Phone Calls

The Title 1 staff makes phone calls or sends emails to the parents of students selected to receive a Title 1 service. In addition to these initial contacts, Title 1 staff will periodically contact parents by phone or email with updates on their child's progress.

Newsletters

A principal's newsletter goes home monthly. In addition, Title 1 sends home a newsletter with each child receiving services. This newsletter contains helpful information about literacy and math, including strategies parents can use with their children at home.

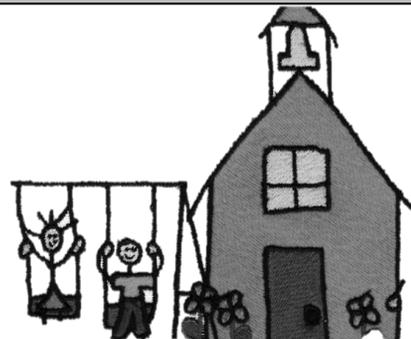
Daily Books

Each student receiving a Title 1 literacy intervention may bring home a book each day. The bag will contain a familiar book. It is very important to a child's success in reading that he or she practice the skills learned in school as often as possible. Parents are encouraged to make time for their child to do his or her at-home reading each day. The more a child reads, the better reader he or she will become!



We always welcome parent participation, feedback, and involvement. Feel free to contact the Title 1 program staff any time at the school office by calling 207-474-9822 ext. 3217, or emailing your child's Title 1 teacher directly (see front).

MARGARET CHASE SMITH SCHOOL Title 1 Parental Involvement 2019-2020



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Title 1 Policy Statement:

Margaret Chase Smith School, in accordance with MSAD 54/RSU 54's Board Policy KBF, encourages parental involvement in all school activities and programs to promote successful school experiences for parents and students.

School Compact:

The Title 1 School-Parent Compact is disseminated to all parents as part of the MCSS Student/Parent Handbook. As part of our compact, parents are asked to provide home/school connections to ensure their child's success. Through the Title 1 program, parents will be invited annually to review and revise our School-Parent Compact.

Teacher Qualifications:

Any parents may request teacher professional qualifications for any teacher in the school. Requests should be made in writing to the building principal.

Communication:

Parents are informed by letter if their child is eligible for Title 1 services. Parents also receive trimester reports informing them of their child's reading and/or math progress. Parents of Title 1 students are informed of and invited to activities throughout the year that give them a better understanding of what is expected of their children and the type of instruction their children are receiving. Parents are given tools to work with their children in the areas of reading and math. Activities that occur to meet the school's Title 1 parent involvement requirements are:

- Parent Open House
- Annual Title 1 Meeting
- Academic Night
- Parent/Teacher Conferences
- Emails/Phone calls
- Newsletters
- Daily Book Bags



Title One Surveys

A fall and spring survey will be distributed to all parents for feedback on the Title 1 program services that have been provided to them and their child. This survey is one method by which parents assist the school in planning, reviewing, and improving the Title 1 program.

Parent Open House

All parents will be provided a notice about the Open House. Title 1 staff will be available to meet with parents and provide information about Title 1 programming during this event.

Parent/Teacher Conferences

Parent/Teacher conferences are held yearly in November. Parents make an appointment to meet with their child's teacher to discuss his/her progress. The Title 1 staff provides an activity and information on conference days to help build parent capacity to work with their children and to foster parent involvement.



Academic Night

At Margaret Chase Smith School, an Academic Night is held every spring. During the event, parents learn more about what their child is doing in reading, writing and/or math, and do some reading, writing and/or math activities with their child's teacher and reading and/or math teacher.