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Mission Statement:

The four communities of Maine School Administrative District No. 75 are united in our dedication to develop confident, life-long learners. It is our mission to work together to ensure a community of fluent learners, critical thinkers and creative contributors to our society.



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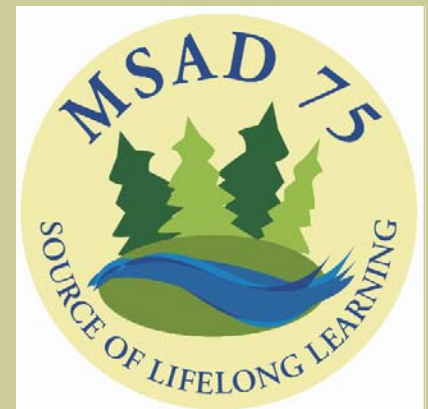
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Information

Regarding Your Title I Program

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Information Regarding the MSAD 75 Title I Program...

What is Title I?

Title I provides grant money to state and local educational agencies to meet the needs of children who need extra help to learn.

The goal of Title I is to provide instructional support to at-risk children so that they may meet learning standards and become life-long, self-directed learners.

What will Title I do for my child?

The Title I program will provide your child with extra learning help beyond the regular classroom.

What will Title I do for me?

The Title I program provides you with ideas, learning activities and resources you can use at home to help your child read, write and do math.

Which MSAD 75 schools does Title I serve?

Schools qualify based on the percentage of children who meet the requirements for the Free & Reduced Lunch program.

In MSAD 75, four of our elementary schools are Title I schools: Bowdoin Central School, Bowdoinham Community School, Harpswell Community School and Woodside Elementary School.

What do Title I programs offer?

- Smaller classes
- Additional teachers and aides
- Professional development for school staff
- Extra time for Title I students to learn the skills they need
- A variety of supplementary teaching methods
- An individualized program for students
- Parent activities and resources

How do schools receive Title I funds?

Title I is the largest federally-funded educational program. The federal government provides funding to each state. State educational agencies send this money to school districts. How much money each school receives is determined by the percentage of those who qualify for the Free & Reduced Lunch program.



Title I brings parents and teachers together to work with children.

Photo courtesy of Donna Tardif, 1st grade teacher at Woodside Elementary School

Title I schools:

- Identify the students at their school who need the most educational assistance based on the criteria that school has chosen. Students do NOT have to be from low income families to receive Title I services.
- Set goals for improving the skills of identified Title I students at their school.
- Measure student progress to determine the success of the Title I program for each student.
- Develop programs for each individual student in order to support/supplement regular classroom instruction.

Why is parental involvement important?

Parents, you can influence the success of your child in school more than any teacher or federal program. By becoming an active participant in the Title I parental involvement plan at your school, you will:

- Show your child that you support his/her education
- Help your child learn
- Follow your child's progress and show it is important to you; and
- Teach your child that you're a partner with teachers and the school.

Research shows that how well a child does in school depends a great deal upon how much their parents get involved in their education. What you do really matters!