

# SARCOXIE R-2 SCHOOL DISTRICT

## TITLE 1 INFORMATION

Each year Title I Schools must inform their parents of the school's participation in Title I programs and to explain the purpose of Title I.

### I. What is the Title I Program?

Title I is the largest federal aid program for elementary, middle, and high schools. Through Title I, the Federal government gives money to school districts around the country based on the number of at-risk students in each district. The purpose of Title I is to ensure that all children have a fair and significant opportunity to obtain a high-quality education. Sarcoxie R-2 School District as a school wide Title 1 program which means that we serve all students and are continually working to improve the overall culture of the school.

Title I is based on three important ideas:

- (1) All students should work toward the same high standards.
- (2) Local districts, schools, and parents know best what their students need to succeed.
- (3) Parents are partners in helping all students achieve.

### II. How we use our Title I funds

Title I schools have a choice as to how they set up their Title I program as long as the program helps its students meet state academic standards. Title I funds can be used to:

- Provide after-school programs
- Train teachers and other staff
- Purchase equipment and learning materials
- Support parental involvement activities
- Hire additional instructional staff

### III. How parents can be involved

Parental involvement is important for the academic, social, and emotional growth of each student in the Sarcoxie R-II School District. As educators and professionals, it is our duty to sustain and encourage the participation of parents within our community. When students have parents who have a vested interest in our school, they too will participate and become stronger students overall. To ensure effective involvement of parents and to support a partnership with the Title 1 School, parents, and the community to improve student academic achievement, Sarcoxie Middle School/High School will provide assistance to parents with such topics as: understanding state standards, the MAP test and local assessments, understanding how to monitor a child's progress and knowing how to work with teachers to improve the performance of their child.

#### Activities/Strategies

- Open House
- Mentoring Program
- College Scholarship Meetings
- Provide information about MAP tests, EOC tests and how to help prepare their child
- Parent-Teacher conferences
- Provide parents the Parent-School Compact
- Science Fair
- 8<sup>th</sup> Grade Promotion
- College Week
- College trips for Middle and High School students