



# Title 1 Newsletter

## February 2016



### Parent Orientation

On Wednesday, February 17<sup>th</sup> we will be holding another parent orientation. This orientation is being held for all new families who have joined the Title 1 program since our last orientation in November. Current families who would like the opportunity to learn more or ask questions are also welcome to attend. Learn what Title 1 is, how a student is entered and exited, learn about upcoming events and more.

We will have a session at each school in the morning before school starts and one in the evening at Callahan. Please attend the time that is most convenient.

A.T. Levy, February 17<sup>th</sup>, 8:00 a.m. - 8:30 a.m. in the Levy library

W.L. Callahan, February 17<sup>th</sup>, 8:00 a.m. - 8:30 a.m. in Mr. Brissette's office

W.L. Callahan, February 17<sup>th</sup>, 6:30 p.m. - 7:30 p.m. in the Callahan media center

**Please email Candis Boucher if you will be attending, [boucherc@bsd-ri.net](mailto:boucherc@bsd-ri.net)**

### Test Taking Tips Practices for Parents

Parents are their children's first teachers. They are essential to the success of their children academically. It is important for parents to be aware of the many factors that influence their children's success in school. One of the most important factors is testing. Parents are advised to encourage their children to do well on a test without needless pressure. It can be difficult to achieve this balance. It is important for children to feel relaxed before, during, and after a test to create a positive experience that will transcend over future testing situations. Taking time to practice test-taking strategies at home will help to accomplish this. Here are a few strategies to help their test scores and test-taking abilities.

- If your child appears to be struggling with tests and receiving poor grades, meet with teachers to discuss ways to help your child at home.
- Remind your child to check over responses to test items carefully before turning the test in.
- Instruct your child to read test directions carefully, and to ask questions if something is not clear.
- Provide a study area that is well lighted and free of distractions to help your child study effectively.
  - Take advantage of study guides and study materials sent home by the teachers, and use them to help your child prepare for tests.
- Have your child take frequent breaks while studying and completing complicated homework assignments.

Harpin, L.J. (2011). Promising partnerships: Ways to involve parents in their children's education. Lanham, MD: Rowman & Littlefield Publishers, Inc.



### Save The Date!

Join us for our Title 1

### Learn to Use the Library Night!

On **Tuesday, March 15<sup>th</sup>** we will be partnering with the Jesse Smith Library in Harrisville to provide families with a fun and informative evening. Families will be given a tour of the library, have the opportunity to get a library card, work on a craft and more. More details to come.

### Coming Up!

Our annual review of the Title 1 Parent Involvement Policies will be coming this March. We are looking for a few parents who would be willing to assist with this important piece of our program. Exact details and dates will be available soon.