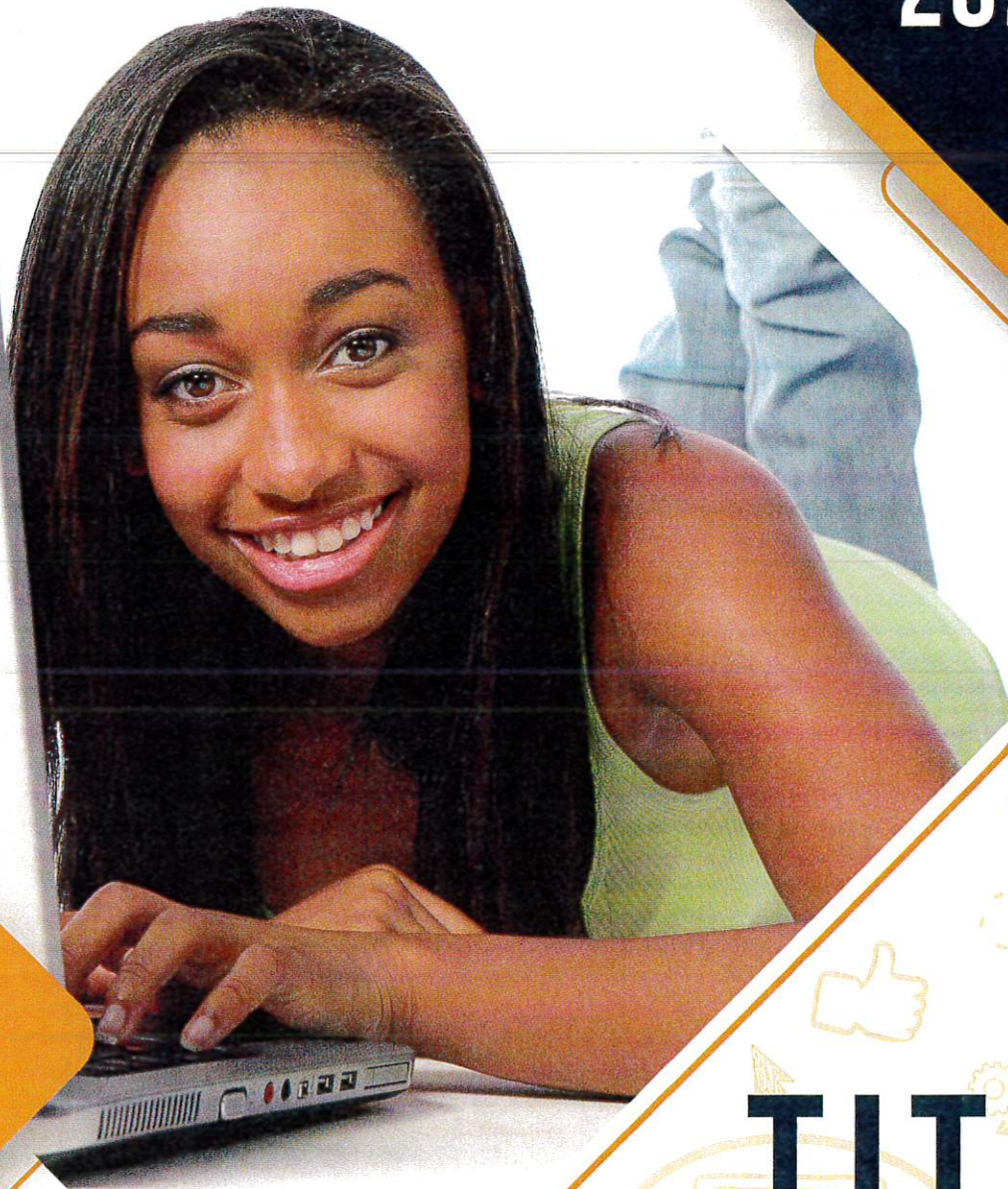
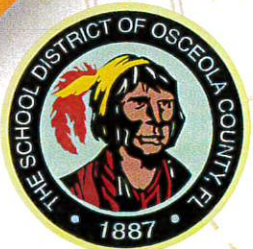


2020-21



TITLE I INFORMATION



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NEWS ABOUT TITLE I

We're here to make good things happen for other people!

Contents:

- News about Title I information
- Other Federal Programs
- Parents Right To Know Letter
- Important information and additional resources



**A message
from our
Superintendent**



In our Osceola schools, everything we do is designed to help all students achieve to the best of their ability. We strive to inspire success, confidence, and hope in each and every child. After all, our children deserve nothing short of the highest of expectations from their teachers, their school, their parents, and the community. For the school district, that means ensuring the best curriculum and instruction in every classroom every day. I invite parents to join us on a mission as we move from Good to Great. Together, we are building a legacy that ensures that our community is a better place to live, learn, and earn a living because of the work we are doing collectively for children.

Dr. Debra P. Pace

Purpose

The purpose of this booklet is to provide you with Title I information and supplemental resources that are available to you. Your child attends a school that is designated as a Title I school. All Title I schools in Osceola County implement a school-wide program. The purpose of a Title I school-wide program is to improve student achievement throughout the entire school. All schools complete a Comprehensive Needs Assessment and design their own Continuous Improvement and Monitoring System (CIMS). The plan supports students by meeting the implementation of the Florida Standards for the 2020-2021 school year. Each school's plan varies to meet the specific needs of the students at that school, based on the results of the Comprehensive Needs Assessment. Every child will benefit from the added services and programs that a Title I school-wide plan offers.

How to get involved

Each Title I School, in conjunction with parents, develops and sends home a Compact and a Parent and Family Engagement Plan (PFEP). The District Title I PFEP is developed with the Title I Parent Advisory Committee (PAC) and will also be sent home. A copy of the Local Education Agency (LEA) Plan for the Title I Program is located in the Special Programs office. An electronic version of the School Parent and Family Engagement Summary is accessible on their website.

**This booklet along with
all of the resources
referenced herein are
available online at:**

www.osceolaschools.net/titlei



Osceola County
SCHOOL DISTRICT

School Section

Schools are ranked annually by determining the percentage of the students receiving free and reduced lunch and are given priority on the basis of the percentage of students from low-income families. In Osceola County, schools that have the free and reduced lunch percentage at or above 70% obtain school wide status. Title I funds will be used to upgrade the entire school's instructional program. Therefore, every child in the school will benefit from the added school wide programs.

Title I

The Every Student Succeeds Act of 2015 provides supplemental funds for school districts to assist students in eligible public and private schools. This act will benefit students by helping them to acquire the knowledge and skills necessary to meet challenging state academic standards. The law also requires that states adopt a specific approach to testing and accountability, intended to lead to higher achievement for all children. Federal legislation has provided guidelines for the selection of schools, as well as guidelines for parental involvement

Services Provided

All students attending Title I schools will receive Title I services. These services may include computer assisted instruction, direct instruction, small group instruction or individual instruction, and will provide all students with the opportunity to participate in higher level academic activities. Individual students at risk of failing or falling behind may be offered additional services such as before school, after school, Saturday school or other extended learning opportunities.

Parental Involvement

All parents are encouraged to attend a Title I orientation meeting, offered at the student's school, to learn about the program and the role of parents in the success of their child's education. Parents are encouraged to become involved in the education of their children at home and school. Research reveals that high student achievement, positive attitudes, and better behavior are closely related to positive parental involvement in education. As a result, students achieve higher grades and test scores, improved attendance and more consistently completed homework. They also have higher graduation rates and greater enrollment in post-secondary education. Title I supplements opportunities for parents to participate in educational workshops and activities that will provide information and support to build knowledge to help their children academically. Family engagement classes & activities are available at the Title I Poinciana Parent Center, Ross E. Jeffries Parent Center, Cypress Elementary and The Kissimmee Parent Center.

Title I Complaint Process

Every effort will be made to resolve the complaint at the district or school level before filing a complaint with the Florida Department of Education (FDOE). The local school board policy describes the grievance procedures in section 2.70. This policy requires a meeting with the principal, central office administrators, or the school board.

FDOE will respond to complaints about the requirements of ESSA within 60 days of receipt, unless an extension is needed because of extenuating circumstances. Complainants will be notified, in writing, if an extension will be needed and the reasons for the extension. The written resolution will include:

- A statement of the federal program requirements involved.
- A summary of the information, records, or data reviewed and considered.
- The findings of fact.
- The conclusions for each allegation, including the reasons for the conclusion.
- Any technical assistance, negotiation, or corrective action that must occur and when the action must occur.

The written resolution will be mailed to the complainant and the superintendent of the school district or charter school against whom the allegations were made. Once the local complaint process has been completed, if no resolution has been reached, the complaint may be submitted to the FDOE.



Title IX, Part A

The McKinney-Vento Homeless Assistance Act is a primary piece of federal legislation related to the education of children and youth experiencing homelessness. The McKinney-Vento Education for Homeless Children and Youth is designed to address problems homeless children and youth face while enrolling, attending and succeeding in school. The State and the local educational agencies must ensure that each homeless child and youth has equal access to the same free, appropriate public education, including a public preschool education, as other children and youths. Homeless children and youths must have access to the educational and related services that they need to enable them to meet the same challenging State academic standards to which all students are held. In addition, homeless students may not be separated from the mainstream school environment.

The term “homeless children and youths”

- children and youth who lack a fixed, regular, and adequate nighttime residence
- children and youths who are sharing the housing of other persons due to loss of housing, economic hardship, or a similar reason; are living in motels, hotels, trailer parks, or camping grounds due to the lack of alternative adequate accommodations; are living in emergency or transitional shelters; who have a primary nighttime residence that is a public or private place not designed for or ordinarily used as a regular sleeping accommodation for human beings
- children and youths who are living in cars, parks, public spaces, abandoned buildings, substandard housing, bus or train stations, or similar settings
- migratory children who qualify as homeless living in circumstances described





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Superintendent of Schools
Dr. Debra P. Pace

August 2020

Dear Parent/Guardian:

The School District of Osceola County is committed to providing you information regarding the qualifications of any teacher or paraprofessional that works with your child.

You have the right to request the following information which will be provided in a timely manner:

- Whether the teacher has met the state licensing criteria for the grade levels and subject areas in which the teacher provides instruction.
- Whether the teacher is teaching under emergency or other provisional status through which state qualifications of licensing criteria have been waived.
- The baccalaureate degree major of the teacher and any other graduate certification or degree held by the teacher, and the field of discipline of the certification or degree.
- Whether your child is provided services by paraprofessionals, and, if so, their qualifications.

The School District of Osceola County is dedicated to providing the students of our county with a quality education. If you have any questions/concerns, please feel free to contact the Special Programs office at 407-870-4934.

Sincerely,

Leslie Campbell
Director of Special Programs



"We're here to make good things
happen for other people"

All Parents should be offered the opportunity to provide feedback for the School Improvement Plan (SIP). The SIP is available to all parents on the school website.

The Title I School Compact is developed jointly with parents. It is posted on the school website. Upon request, a copy is available in the school front office.



Important Information

The School Parent and Family Engagement Plan (PFEP) is developed jointly with parents and is sent home with your child's welcome packet. Upon request, a copy is available in the school front office.

The School Accountability Reports are available on the website listed below: <http://schoolgrades.fl DOE.org/> Information will be available in a school newsletter. A copy will be available upon request.



The District Title I Parent and Family Engagement Plan (PFEP) will be coming home with your child. We would appreciate your input. Please fill out the survey that will be sent home in the fall and return it to your child's school.

TITLE I SCHOOLS

2020-21

ELEMENTARY SCHOOLS

Boggy Creek	407-344-5060
Central Avenue	407-343-7330
Chestnut	407-870-4862
Cypress	407-344-5000
Deerwood	407-870-2400
East Lake	407-943-8450
Flora Ridge	407-933-3999
Highlands	407-935-3620
Kissimmee	407-935-3640
Koa	407-518-1161
Lakeview	407-891-3220
Michigan Avenue	407-891-3140
Mill Creek	407-935-3660
Neptune	407-892-8387
Partin Settlement	407-518-2000
Pleasant Hill	407-935-3700
Poinciana Academy of Fine Arts	407-343-4500
Reedy Creek	407-935-3580
Sunrise	407-870-4866
Thacker Avenue	407-935-3540
Ventura	407-344-5040

MIDDLE SCHOOLS

Denn John	407-935-3560
Discovery Intermediate	407-343-7300
Horizon	407-943-7240
Kissimmee	407-870-0857
Neptune	407-935-3500
Parkway	407-344-7000

HIGH SCHOOLS

Gateway	407-935-3600
Liberty	407-933-3910
Osceola	407-518-5400
Poinciana	407-870-4860

MULTI-LEVEL SCHOOLS

Westside K-8 School	407-390-1748
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CHARTER SCHOOLS

Bellalago Charter Academy	407-933-1690
Bridge Prep Academy K-8	407-588-8037
Four Corners Charter K-5	407-589-4600
Kissimmee Charter Academy	407-847-1400
Lincoln-Marti Charter School	407-530-5000
Main Street High	321-250-1871
Mater Brighton Lakes Academy	407-931-0325
Mater Palms Academy	407-390-1106
Mater Academy Prep High	407-931-0325
New Dimensions High	407-870-9949
P.M. Wells Charter Academy	321-697-1020
Renaissance Charter School Poinciana	407-569-0639
Renaissance Charter School Tapestry	407-569-0163
SLAM! Osceola	407-569-7637
UCP Osceola Charter School	407-852-3300
Victory Academy 6-12	321-697-3800

ALTERNATIVE SCHOOLS

New Beginnings Educational Complex	407-348-4466
Zenith Accelerated Learning Academy	407-846-3976

