



*Engaging Students for Successful Futures*

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### General Information about Title I

**WHAT IS TITLE I?** Title I is a law under the Elementary and Secondary Education Act (ESEA) of 1965 which provides federal funds for compensatory educational services. Compensatory means "extra." Title I provides extra teachers, instructional assistants, funding for staff development, additional materials and additional supplies in the areas of reading and math for eligible schools. Title I programs offer opportunities for parents to make suggestions and recommendations regarding programs and use of Title I funds. Rock Hill School's Title I allocation for 2023-2024 is \$4,834,815.60.

**WHICH SCHOOLS ARE ELIGIBLE?** In the Rock Hill Schools, elementary schools are eligible for Title I services if the numbers participating in the free/reduced lunch program exceed the 2022-2023 cut-off percentages; however, this year our funds were exhausted at 68%.

Title I schools for 2023-2024 are: Ebinport, Independence, Leslie, Mt. Holly, Northside, Oakdale, Palmetto School, Richmond Drive, and Sunset Park.

Charter Schools may be served by Title I if the school meets eligibility requirements. The Palmetto School at the Children's Attention Home is being served under Title I during the 2023-2024 school year.

Schools in which fewer than 40% qualify for free/reduced lunch may be served and are called Title I **Targeted-Assistance** schools. This year, the Rock Hill Schools do not have any **Targeted-Assistance** schools.

Schools where 40% or more of the students qualify for free/reduced lunch are eligible for **Schoolwide** programs. **Schoolwide** programs will be operating during the 2023-2024 school year in the schools listed above. A **Schoolwide** program means that **all** students in the school are able to participate in services and the entire school is working toward higher achievement standards and acceleration for students in reading and math.

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**WHO MAY PARTICIPATE?** All students in schools with **Schoolwide** programs benefit from these services. Services provided from Title I this year include: software for computer programs, support from Reading Recovery, Interventionists, Math Coaches, Instructional Assistants, and Parenting Programs. Title I funds are used to purchase many leveled reading books, extra Math materials and supplies, and help to provide additional training and staff development for teachers in order to meet the needs of all students. Parent and Family engagement is encouraged in all Title I Schools through opportunities to visit in classrooms, serve on committees, offer recommendations and suggestions, and attend meetings and workshops.

**COMPARABILITY:** Because Title I funds are for "extra" educational services to students, districts must prove that they are spending the same amount of state and local funds for all pupils before using Title I funding. Rock Hill Schools uses the teacher/pupil ratio and size/split methods to demonstrate comparability.