

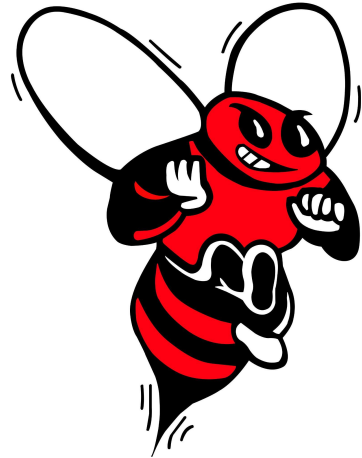
Title I Information for Parents and Families

Baldwinsville Central School District

Why are we here?

The Elementary and Secondary Education Act (ESEA) requires that each Title I School hold an annual meeting of Title I parents for the purpose of:

- Informing you of your school's participation in Title I
- Explaining the requirements of Title I
- Explaining your rights as parents/families to be involved



What is Title I?

Title 1 is the largest federal aid program for public schools in the United States. It provides federal funds to schools with high percentages of low-income students. These funds pay for extra educational services to help at risk students achieve and succeed regardless of any disadvantages through no fault of their own.

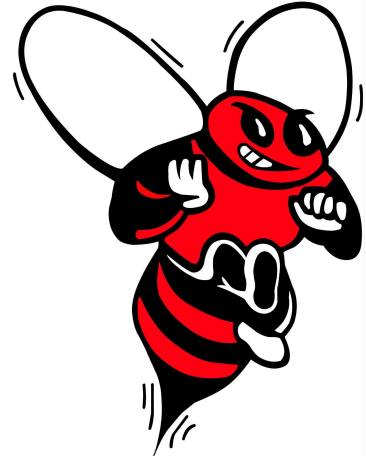
Schools are required to provide supplemental educational services using researched-based strategies to improve student achievement.

All students at the school will be able to benefit from the Title 1 funding.



How does a school become Title I?

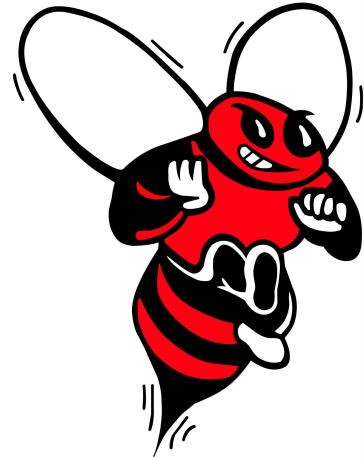
When the number of students eligible for free or reduced lunch prices is greater than the district average, funds are distributed to schools beginning with the highest percentage of free or reduced lunch prices to lowest percentage of free or reduced lunch prices until the funds have been exhausted.



What does it mean to be a Title I School?

Title I Schools receive additional federal funds to supplement the school's existing programs. These dollars can be used for:

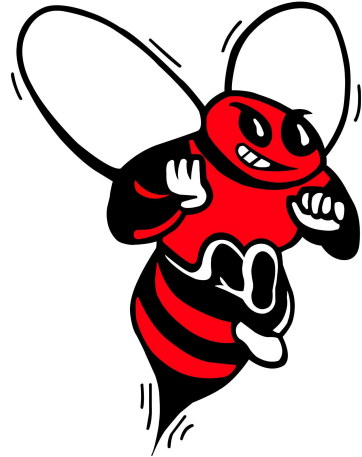
- Identifying students experiencing academic difficulties and providing timely assistance to help these students meet the NYS Standards
- Purchasing supplemental materials and supplies
- Conducting family involvement meetings and activities
- Recruiting/Hiring/Retaining Highly Qualified Teachers
- Sharing parental involvement strategies and rights



How is Baldwinsville using Title I funds?

Intervention teachers and assistants provide supplemental reading and/or math support.

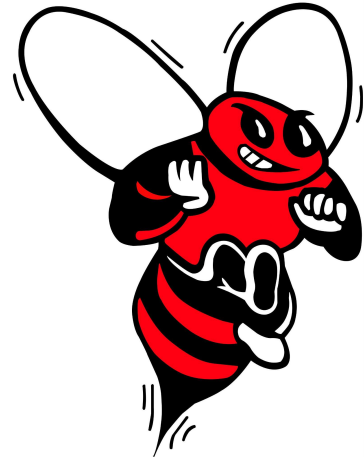
Varying levels of intervention are based on academic need; accompanied by continual progress monitoring of student achievement.



What is the 1% set-aside for Parent & Family Engagement?

Any district with a Title I allocation exceeding \$500,000 is required by law to set aside 1% of its allocation for parental involvement.

The BCSD utilizes these funds to support curriculum information nights, family nights, and/or community engagement events that address the needs of the whole child.

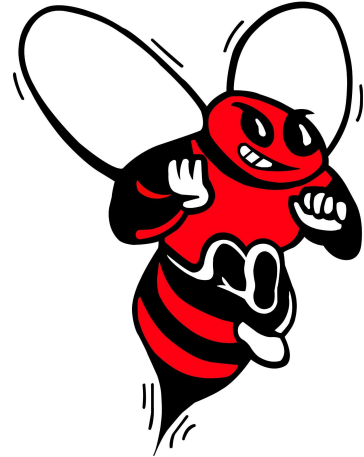


What is the Parent & Family Engagement Policy?

The BCSD will collaborate with parents and other family members to help students participating in Title I Programs reach their full academic potential and to improve the District's overall academic quality.

As part of it's collaboration, the District will conduct outreach; plan and implement programs, activities, and procedures for parent and family member engagement; and consult meaningfully with parents and family Members.

[Read the full policy HERE.](#)



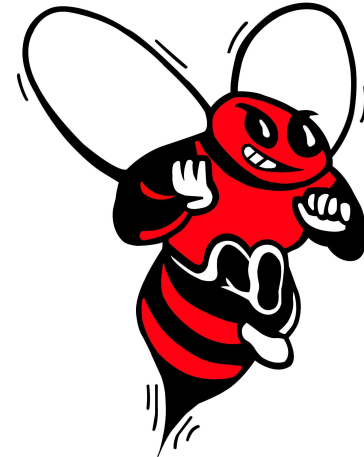
How do I request the qualifications of my child's teachers?

All parents have the right to information regarding the professional qualifications of any teacher or paraprofessional that works with their child. To access this information you can:

1. Visit the New York State Department of Education website: [Teacher Certification Lookup](#)

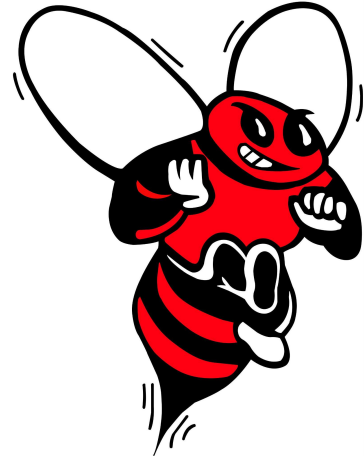
-OR-

2. Contact the district's Human Resources Department at 315-638-6047 for assistance.



How can you help?

- Support and promote independent reading, daily practice, and study skills
- Frequently check the Parent Portal to help keep your student(s) on track
- Keep in contact with the teachers
- Attend parent/teacher conferences as scheduled
- Hold your children accountable
- Know their levels and goals
- Join your school's PTA and attend monthly meetings
- Participate in curriculum information nights and school-wide events
- ...[read more here!](#)



What's next?

- Please sign the attendance sheet.
- If you have any questions, our administrative team will be happy to answer them via email or phone. [Visit our Who to Contact link](#) online!

